

# THE JAPANESE HAVE WON FIRST VICTORY.

## RUSSIAN WARSHIPS

**Were Attacked by Japanese Torpedo Boats at Midnight.**

**One Russian Ship Went Down**

**And Two Others Were Put Out of Commission by the Wily Japs--Fighting on the Sea Off Port Arthur Was Resumed This Morning.**

**Che Foo, Feb. 9.—The Japanese fleet attacked Port Arthur at midnight on Monday. Two Russian battleships and one Russian cruiser were disabled by torpedoes.**

**This battle is being continued this morning at a range of three miles. There has been no further damage.**

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—An official dispatch received here says that Japanese torpedo boats have attacked the Russian squadron in the outer roads at Port Arthur, and that three Russian ships were damaged.

Paris, Feb. 9.—The news of the first Japanese attack, with torpedo boats, on the Russian fleet off Port Arthur created consternation here. The officials of the foreign office were among the first to receive the information and their advice were similar to those of the St. Petersburg official Gazette, showing that two Russian battleships and one cruiser were damaged and also that four torpedo boats made the attack.

An official of the foreign office said: "It is profoundly to be regretted that such a decisive step has been taken as it terminates the efforts the powers might have made to avert actual warfare."

Information has been received here showing that the British government will issue a declaration of neutrality within a few days, perhaps immediately and that France will take the same course within a day or two.

At a council of ministers held at Elysee palace today under the presidency of M. Loubet, Foreign Minister Del Casse communicated the news of the first Japanese attack with torpedo boats on Russian fleet off Port Arthur, and announced that the French minister at Tokio has been instructed to assure the protection of Russian subjects and their interests in Japan.

The attitude of the French government in view of the war is now definitely determined upon. France will maintain neutrality under any and all circumstances, the Franco-Russian alliance being construed as not requiring France to interfere in behalf of Russia even should Great Britain or any third power intervene in behalf of Japan.

London, Feb. 9.—The naval men in London regarded the result of Japan's first attack with torpedo boats on the Russian fleet off Port Arthur as being a staggering one. They pointed out that Viceroy Alexieff's reference to "mines" obviously meant "torpedoes" and said that if the Russian vessels had been struck by Whitehead torpedoes they probably would have been sunk or are resting in the mud in Port Arthur.

Berlin, Feb. 9.—Japan's initial success in the first attack with torpedo boats on the Russian fleet of Port Arthur produced a deep impression, both on the people and military and naval circles here. Groups gathered around the distributors of the "extras" in the streets and read the news almost with exclamations of gladness. The comment at the marine department was that even the temporary disablement of three warships placed the Russians at a great disadvantage in the future. It was added that the torpedoing of the enemy's vessels lying under powerful land batteries must have been carried out daringly and skillfully. As Viceroy Alexieff did not mention any Japanese losses in his first dispatch the common talk of the naval officers was that the Japanese have shown that they can handle their ships better than the Russians.

**JAPS HAD BEST OF IT.**

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—The announcement of the sinking

of eleven Japanese ships and the fact that Port Arthur was in flames was given out in St. Petersburg at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon as official, but investigation shows the report to be untrue. The only confirmed official communication is that from Admiral Alexieff, issued earlier, announcing that Japanese torpedo boats had made a sudden attack on the Russian squadron in the outer roads of Port Arthur in which the battleships Retvizan and Czarovitch and the cruiser Pallada had been damaged.

**MOSCOWITES ARE OFFERING AID.**

Moscow, Feb. 9.—The Moscowites are animated by patriotic sentiments which have been strengthened by the actual outbreak of war. The local Red Cross society is besieged by women of high and low degree who are offering their services to nurse the wounded. Outside help is not yet needed.

Prices on the Moscow stock exchange are falling.

**RUSSIAN NAVAL FLEET CRIPPLED.**

Paris, Feb. 9.—The naval engagement of the Port Arthur is understood to have mainly occupied the attention of the council of ministers. The impression prevailed that the Russian ships torpedoed are so disabled as to be unserviceable for the remainder of the war, thus placing the Russian fleet in a state of inferiority. It is said that members of the council of ministers expressed astonishment at the alleged negligence of



"I'M A PEACEABLE MAN, DON'T NOBODY FERGIT IT."

the commanders of the Russian ships in permitting the Japanese to surprise them.

The Japanese legation announces that Japan has requested China to declare coal a contraband of war. The effect of this would be to cut off the main supply of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur. The legation officials add that China's continuance of supplying the Russians with coal would be a breach of neutrality.

**JAPS WILL NOT BLOCKADE THE PORT.**

London, Feb. 9.—Baron Hayashi says the Japanese fleet is not likely to blockade Port Arthur. His knowledge of the Japanese naval plans as tentatively prepared, leads him and others here to believe that the Japanese fleet is now lying between Che Fu and the Yalu river screening the landing of troops, one army corps at Fusan and two at Pen Yang, Korea.

A dispatch from Rome saying that the Japanese government had purchased the Chilean battleship Captain Prat, the cruiser Chacabuco and the gunboat Almirante Condella, was pronounced untrue by Baron Hayashi.

The Nippon Company, London agents, have heard nothing of the alleged capture of the steamer Inaba Maru, near Hong Kong (Russian warship) as reported by a news agency in the United States today. It is ascertained here that Russia has no warship in the vicinity of Hong Kong and that therefore the Inaba Maru cannot have been captured.

**RUSSIA**  
**Is Making Desperate Efforts to Have Powers Intervene.**

London, Feb. 9.—The Japanese Minister Baron Hayashi, said this afternoon: "Russia is making desperate efforts, through the various embassies, to have the powers intervene. Russia now is willing to concede everything, but the offer comes too late." "I learn on good authority that the reply Russia intended to send merely reiterated all the cardinal points to which Japan had consistently objected."

**CAUSES**

**Which Led to Rupture Are Set Forth By Russia.**

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—A lengthy official communication issued today gives the Russia account of the negotiations which led to the rupture.

"Last year," says this foreign office note, "the Tokio cabinet, under the pretext of establishing the balance of power and a more settled order of things on the shores of the Pacific, submitted to the imperial government

## A DARING EXPLOIT

**Was the Work, Last Night, of Japanese Torpedo Boats.**

**Under the Cover of Darkness**

**The Little Crafts Are Supposed to Have Darted Across the Mouth of the Harbor and Sent Their Torpedoes Broadside at the Big Russian Warships.**

Washington, Feb. 9.—News of the daring exploit of the Japanese torpedo boats at Port Arthur last night was received with great interest by the officers here. The general impression is that the Japanese boats did not actually run into the harbor, but passing swiftly across the mouth under cover of darkness, let fly their torpedoes broadside, and at least three of these found their mark.

**FIGHTING BOB WILL BE THERE.**

Orders will be cabled today to Rear Admiral Evans to send his cruiser squadron consisting of the Albany, New Orleans, Raleigh and Cincinnati, from Subig Bay to some point in Chinese waters yet to be determined, for the purpose of observing the naval operations. It is expected that the squadron can coal and get under way within two days. Admiral Evans is expected to keep the battleship squadron in Philippine waters throughout the period of hostilities between Russia and Japan. This decision was reached at the cabinet meeting today after long consideration. It has been definitely settled that the cruiser squadron will not go to Port Arthur.

**THE PALLADA WENT DOWN.**

Paris, Feb. 9.—4:55 p. m.—It was announced at the French foreign office this afternoon that Russian cruiser Pallada was sunk in the torpedo attack made by the Japanese on the Russian fleet of Port Arthur. The injuries sustained by the Retvizan and Czarovitch are not known.

It was reported on the same authority that the cable from Vladivostok has been cut.

**UNCLE SAM HAS A WORD TO SAY.**

Washington, Feb. 9.—Secretary Hay has addressed an identical note to a number of European powers to ascertain if they are willing to join in a note to Russia and Japan that during hostilities and thereafter the neutrality and integrity of China must be recognized. Details of the note are not obtainable in advance of the receipt of replies. It is known, however, that exchanges already have taken place which justifies the state department in expecting favorable responses to its note.

**CHINA WILL DECLARE NEUTRALITY.**

Paris, Feb. 9.—China it is understood has given official assurance that she will immediately issue a declaration of neutrality. This is considered highly important in view of the possibility of Chinese, impressed by the Japanese success at Port Arthur, joining the Japanese.

**NEWS RECEIVED IN ST. PETERSBURG.**

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—3:30 p. m.—The news that Japan had duplicated her tactics at the opening of the China-Japanese war by a torpedo attack on the Russian ships off Port Arthur, created intense excitement. The bare announcement arrived from Viceroy Alexieff 8 o'clock this morning. Details are anxiously awaited.

Extra editions of the morning papers printed early in the forenoon, after the appearance of the official messenger conveyed the intelligence to the population of the capital and dispelled any lingering hopes that war could be averted.

The czar and his ministers, who had been informed immediately of the receipt of Viceroy Alexieff's telegram, accepted the gage and prepared to face the reality of war. The czar's manifesto declaring a state of war to exist is expected to be issued tomorrow morning at the latest.

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## STORY

Of the Tick-Tock of Your Clock.

## A Scientist

Gives a Good Reason for Unusual

Change in Sound at Each End of Never Ceasing Pendulum Swing.

A Positive Rule Governs Which End of Pendulum Motion Produces the Tick, and Which the Tock Sound Wave.

Tick-tock, that familiar sound accompanying the swinging of the pendulum of every clock, has been made the subject of an interesting investigation by O. Rosenbach, a Berlin psychologist. While studying the peculiarities of the sounds produced by the pulsations of the human heart, the irregularity of the heart beats and their pronounced rhythmic character suggests to the observer a comparison with the clock's tick-tock, says the Chicago Tribune.

He set about to ascertain the cause of the difference in the ticks of the pendulum, but neither scientists nor laymen, neither clockmakers nor owners of clocks were able to give him the desired information. Some scientists considered the matter as too trivial and unimportant to give it any thought, while others expressed the belief that the difference in the sound was caused by some slight irregularities in the arms of the escapement mechanism. The general opinion seemed to be that it was merely a matter of chance whether the 'tick' accompanied the lift and the 'tock' the right beat of the pendulum or vice versa.

Dr. Rosenbach was not satisfied with the information obtained and decided to investigate the problem on his own account. The first important discovery he made was that the 'tick' always marks the moment when the pendulum reaches the extreme point of denotation from the perpendicular on its beat to the right, while the reaching of its swing limit to the left is marked by the 'tock.' He found that rule applied to all clocks, irrespective of their size and the length of the pendulum. The intensity of the sounds and their character varied considerably according to the size of the parts of the mechanism, but in every instance the 'tick' accompanied the 'tock' the left beat.

To find the cause of the difference in the two sounds the observer studied the mechanism of a number of clocks. He found that owing to the fact that the anchor of the escapement mechanism is above the rotating escapement wheel and in the same plane with it, the conditions under which its arms strike the cogs of the wheel are not the same for both arms. One of the arms of the anchor strikes against a cog of the wheel moving upward in a direction opposed to that of the anchor, while the other arm strikes against the cog while it is moving downward nearly in the same direction as the anchor.

The result of the unequal conditions under which the two arms of the anchor engage the cogs of the escapement wheel is, naturally, an acoustic difference in the sounds produced by the contact of the parts. The 'tick' is produced by the contact of the downward moving anchor with the rising cogs of the wheel, the 'tock' by that of the downward moving anchor with the cogs also moving downwards.

Contrary to the general opinion, as Dr. Rosenbach ascertained, the 'tick' sound is not higher than the 'tock,' but lower. In some instances, particularly large clocks, the interval is nearly a quarter of a second. The illusion which makes the 'tick' appear to be of a higher tone than the 'tock' is produced by the fact that the former

is sharper and more accentuated than the latter. The impact is more intensive and of shorter duration in producing the 'tick' than in the 'tock' which is caused by the vibration of a larger part of the cog struck at an oblique angle.

Not satisfied with having at last ascertained the causes of the difference in the acoustic properties of the 'tick' and the 'tock,' Dr. Rosenbach desired to find out why the sounds, accompanying the beats of the pendulum by common usage are called tick-tock, and not tock-tick. As there is no noticeable difference in the length of the beats of the pendulum, there is no physical reason for beginning with the 'tick' instead of the 'tock.'

The investigator came to the conclusion that the word combination tick-tock is simply an imitative, onomatopoeical expression, coined after the manner of many similar words in different languages. He found that in nearly every case the syllable containing the 't' sound precedes that containing the 'c' or 'k' sound, as in pit a pat, tit for tat, tip-top, rattle, knock-knock, ter-track, pick-pocket, sing-song.

As there is no logical reason for placing the syllable with the 't' sound first, Dr. Rosenbach is of the opinion that the order was dictated by considerations of a physiological and psychological nature. He believes that the syllable with the 't' sound is placed first, because the combination in that order is easier to pronounce and possesses greater acoustic effectiveness. The 't' being of a more explosive character is stronger for the 'a' or 'o' and for that reason is selected as the vowel of the accentuated first syllable.

That in pronouncing the combination the 'tick' is given a higher tone than the 'tock,' although, according to the sounds of the clock's pendulum, of which the word is an imitation, it should be the opposite way, is accounted for, in Dr. Rosenbach's opinion not only by the general illusion that the 'tick' of the pendulum is really higher than the 'tock,' but also by the desire to make the first syllable acoustically as effective and incisive as possible.

## SLANDERING THE HUMAN BODY.

How many people there are who are always saying mean things about their body or some part of it.

They speak about their stomach being weak and no account. Their heart is bad, doesn't act right and gives them no end of trouble. Their back was never any good, it is always aching. Their lungs are so sensitive that they are forever taking cold.

They keep this up day after day. Battering the poor, overworked stomach that is patiently bringing to bear the force of all its machinery to grind up the indigestible mass of food that is forced upon it three or four times a day. Slandering the innocent lungs that they have restricted and cramped until the life-giving oxygen cannot reach them. Scolding the back because it aches and protests against the abuse they are heaping upon it. Casting reproach upon the tireless little engine that ceaselessly pumps away day and night, upbraiding it because in the face of all their dissipation and bad habits it does not beat regularly.

Shame upon that person who will speak ill of his body. Overwork it, mistreat it, and then slanders it. Just stop and think what an ignoble thing you are doing.

There isn't an organ or muscle or nerve in your body but what will respond gladly to every call made upon it, provided you do not overwork it, misuse it, dissipate its energy. Yet this is what you have been doing, and when it is all tired and worn out you have prodded it with the lash of stimulants and doped it with all sorts of dopes. No wonder it complains. And then added to this you berate it and say all manner of unkind things about it.

Just stop talking. If you can't say any thing good of your body, don't say anything at all. But if you will look at it right, you will find that your body, every organ of it, is entitled to a great deal of praise.

Send your best thoughts to the weak organ. Say nice things about your body. Love your body. Love every part of it. Encourage the weak organ by telling it that it is doing its work nicely. Take a long, deep breath of pure air and send a bright, cheery, helpful thought to the overworked stomach, to the starving lungs, to the aching back, and the weakened heart. Tell them they are all right, and you are going to treat them better by behaving yourself. Tell the stomach you will not overload it any more. Tell the lungs they shall have plenty of fresh air night and day. Tell the back it shall have better care. Tell the heart that it shall not be prodded or excited again.

Take care of your body. Treat it decently. Speak of it kindly. Don't destroy it with medicine. Remember that fresh air, good food, and pure water are better for it than all the mixtures doctors can compound. Give it plenty of sleep and rest, keep it clean by proper bathing, clothe it in suitable garments, give it cheerful, healthful thoughts and you will find it a willing servant ready to respond to every reasonable demand made upon it.—Medical Talk.

## CHILL WINDS

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## THE STAGE.

Nat. M. Willis, of vaudeville fame, comes to the Purol opera house, on Wednesday night with his "Weary Williness" in Managers Broadhurst and Currie's musical farce, "A Son of Rest." Mr. Willis making his introductory stellar appearance as "Hunting Grubb," a typical son of rest and the role is said to give him no end of opportunities, all of which he makes use of to display his own peculiar powers of entertaining. The fun of the place hinges on a convenient mixture of identity, in which the many mistakes and complications that are necessary for a melange of this kind are introduced. The dialogue is witty and clean and the music, we are told, is of the light, catchy order. Mr. Willis will be supported by a company of some sixty players, chief among whom will be noted the names of Suzanne Rocamora, as prima donna, with Alene Collin, Mona Wynne and Georgia Irving, as close seconds, and E. Coit Alberson, George B. Murphy, Thos. J. Grady, Edwin Hayes, and Little Will Archie, the midget, clever assistants.

"The Tenderfoot," the latest musical novelty of western origin will be presented at Fauror opera house Thursday night. The author and star, Richard Carle, calls it a "musical play," partly to distinguish it from the brand of entertainment called "musical comedy" and partly to indicate that there is considerable of a play in it. The main scenes and climaxes are all connected with the plot which follows the romantic marriage of a Texas heiress to a soldier disguised as a cowboy. The counterplot brings in an army comedy element in which Prof. Zachary Pettibone, (a Yankee professor on the Texas border) is the central figure—suggesting the significance of the title. The music of "The Tenderfoot" is by H. L. Heartz, composer of "Miss Simplicity" and "The Show Girl." The librettist has given him a great number of themes by introducing such pronounced characters as cowboys, soldiers, Indians, and Mexicans, while the story calls for pretty touches of sentiment in the music for the heiress and the masquerading soldier. The selection of a locality hitherto neglected or ignored by librettists is held to have helped other branches of the production besides the music. The incidents of the play, characterization, and the costume have been designed to reflect the varied life of the border.

The original company of 50 operatic players, as seen in Chicago for one hundred and ninety-two performances, will be presented here and which comprises the celebrated beauty chorus galaxy that includes the famous "Dolly Girls," the late rage of Chicago.

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## The Cause of It.

"What's all this fuss about?" asked the policeman, stepping between the two young men.

The one that had got the worst of it and was wiping the blood from his nose pointed to the other fellow. "He can tell you his name if he wants to," he said. "I won't."—Chicago Tribune.

Mrs. C. H. Jennings, Boston.—"Our babies, (twins) were sickly. Had several doctors, but no results. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea made them strong and robust." 35 cents. Tea or tablet form. H. F. Vorkamp.

## WHY WINE FIRST TO HOST.

In America a Mere Formality, but in Italy a Real Necessity.

The wine was opened dextrously by the waiter, who before serving the guests poured a few drops into the host's glass.

"Why did this waiter give you a little wine before helping the rest of us?" asked a man of curious mind.

"Oh," said the host, "that's always done."

"I know it's always done. That does not answer my question, though. Here, waiter," the man persisted, "you tell me why when you open a bottle of wine you pour a few drops into the host's glass before serving the guests."

The waiter smiled and answered: "It's a matter of form, sir, an old custom, a politeness. Its origin lies in the fact that after the removal of the cork there might be left in the neck of the bottle a little dust or a few specks of cork. The first drops poured out would in that event contain the dust or the cork, and thus the guest were he served first might get this refuse; hence the host is given the first drops."

"As a matter of fact, if you know how to open wine you have no difficulty in keeping the bottle's neck clean. The custom, therefore, is a formality in America. In Italy, though, it is a real necessity, for over there they pour a little oil in the neck of their bottles of native wine before corking on the ground that this makes the wine air-tight. No doubt it does, but it also in some cases gives to the first glass from the bottle a decidedly oily flavor. Therefore the first glass the host gallantly takes."—Philadelphia Record.

## HE WON THE AUDIENCE.

The Way Fred Douglass Got the Best of Captain Hynders.

The inexhaustible sense of humor in Frederick Douglass kept him clear of any sense of gloom, as was never better seen than on the once famous occasion when the notorious Isaiah Rynders of New York, at the head of a mob, had interrupted an antislavery meeting, captured the platform, placed himself in the chair, and hid behind the meeting proceed. Douglass was speaking and, nothing loath, made his speech only keener and keener for the interference, weaving around the would-be chairman's head a wreath of delicate sarcasm which carried the audience with it, while the duller wits of the burly despot could hardly follow him. Knowing only in a general way that he was being dissected, Rynders at last exclaimed, "What you abolitionists want to do is to cut all our throats!"

"Oh, no," replied Douglass in his most dulcet tones; "we would only cut your hair." And, bending over the shaggy and frowzy head of the Bowers tyrant, he gave a suggestive motion as of scissors to his thumb and forefinger with a professional politeness that instantly brought down the house, friend and foe, while Rynders quitted the chair in wrath and the meeting dissolved itself amid general laughter. It was a more cheerful conclusion perhaps than that stormier one—not unknown in reformatory conventions—with which Shakespeare so often ends his scenes, "Excellent fighting!"—Thomas Wentworth Higginson in Atlantic.

## THE ISLE OF NOBLES.

A Famous Historic Site, the Cradle of Saxon Liberty.

The Isle of Athelney, or the "Isle of nobles," as the name signifies, is one of the most famous of historic sites. A thousand years ago it was a low islet covered with willows and alders and surrounded by fens and overflowing marshes, altogether inaccessible except by boats. There King Alfred sought refuge with a swineherd, and there he lay concealed from the invading Danes for the space of a whole year. The resort of his chieftains to this place caused it to be known as the "isle of nobles," which may be regarded as the cradle and stronghold of Saxon liberty. After Alfred regained the possession of his throne he erected a Benedictine abbey on this spot and "endowed it with all the lands in the isle of Athelney." The monastery has entirely disappeared, but its site is marked by a stone pillar erected in 1891 by the owner of Athelney. The pillar bears this inscription: "King Alfred the Great in the year of our Lord 879, having been defeated by the Danes, fled for refuge to the forest of Athelney, where he lay concealed from his enemies for the space of a whole year. He soon after regained possession of his throne, and in grateful remembrance of the protection he had received under the favor of heaven he erected a monastery on this spot and endowed it with all the lands contained in the isle of Athelney." To perpetuate the memory of so remarkable an incident in the life of that illustrious prince this edifice was founded by John Slade, Esq., of Mauseil, the proprietor of Athelney, A. D. 1891.—London News.

## Which Is the Larger Income?

Here is an interesting problem in mathematics: Two clerks are engaged, one at a salary which begins at the rate of \$100 a year, with a yearly rise of \$20, and the other at a salary commencing at the same rate, but with a half yearly rise of \$5. In each case payments are made half yearly. Which of them has the larger income?

Who is not tempted to say the former?

Yet the latter is the correct answer, for in the first year the first clerk receives \$100, but the second clerk receives \$50 and \$55, which amounts to \$105 in the year. The first clerk in the second year gets, to be sure, \$120, but No. 2 gets \$60 for the first half year and \$65 for the second, or \$125 in all.

## Gin in England in the Old Days.

Before intoxicating liquor was made dear by taxes and its sale was regulated by licenses the use of it in England was astonishingly common. Not only were there in London 6,000 or 7,000 regular dramshops, but cheap gin was given by masters to their work people instead of wages, sold by barbers and tobacconists, hawked about the streets on burrows by men and women, openly exposed for sale on every market stall, forced on the maid-servants and other purchasers at the chandler's shop, until, as one contemporary writer puts it, "one-half of the town seems set up to furnish poison to the other half."

## In the Nursery.

"Mamma, why do landladies object to children?" Mother—"I'm sure I don't know. But go and see what baby is crying about and tell Johnny to stop throwing things at people in the street and make George and Kate cease fighting and tell Dick if he doesn't stop blowing that tin trumpet I'll take it away from him.—Tit-Bits.

## Their Celebrations.

Hicks—Going to celebrate your wedding, are you? Wicks—Yes. Hicks—Well, I guess I'll celebrate my wedding, too. It was just five years ago that that girl from Chicago said she wouldn't marry me.—Somerset (Mass.) Journal.

## Properly Diagnosed.

Lushman—"I'm troubled with headaches in the morning. It may be on account of my eyes. Perhaps I need stronger glasses."

Dr. Shredle—"No; I think you merely need weaker glasses and fewer at night.—Exchange.

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## HELPING A BASHFUL SUITOR.

Wright Lorimer, who will soon be seen at the New York theater as David in the "Shepherd King" stands sponsor for the following story:

"The Rev. Nathan Hamilton, a worthy minister, had in his congregation a wealthy parishman named David Jones, who was paying court to his daughter, but who seemed to be too bashful to press his suit. So the minister thought that he would give him a helping hand.

"One day soon after he met Mr. Jones and he casually remarked that his daughter was to be married soon. David was much perturbed at this, but he managed to ask who was the happy man. The minister told him that he would announce it during the service next Sunday. David Jones was in his new promptly on time and heard the text, which was, "Nathan Said Unto David, Thou Art the Man."

"It is needless to say that the wedding of David Jones and the daughter of the Rev. Nathan Hamilton took place soon after."

Winter coughs are apt to result in consumption if neglected. They can be soon broken up by using Foley's Honey and Tar. For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

## SPECIAL TICKETS AND RATES TO ST. MARYS AND CELINA VIA THE L. E. &amp; W. R. R.

Tickets good for two persons one trip, or round trip for one person between Lima and St. Marys 85c, or Celina, \$1.20. 61-601

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## GET VITALITY.

"Doctor," said a New York gentleman to his family physician not long since, "I find I am using too much coffee, and maybe just a little too much tobacco. What do you advise me to do? I want to stop these habits, but don't seem to be able to. If I stop coffee I can't work."

It chanced that the physician addressed was a man wise enough to be above mysteries or deceptions.

"My friend," said he, "a great many people ask me that question in the course of a year. I tell them all just what I tell you—don't try to quit your coffee or your tobacco, if that would inconvenience you in your work. Just get out of doors often enough so that you can stand your coffee and tobacco. And then you'll be all right."—Field and Stream.

## DOCTOR W. S. HAMILTON.

Practice Limited to Diseases of Women and Nervous Diseases.

210 West Market St. Jan 11 am d&w

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

P. R. Kurr, plaintiff, vs. Samuel Jones, defendant.

Allan Common Pleas. By virtue of a vendi exponas, issued from the court of common pleas, of Allen county, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at the east door of the court house in Lima, Allen county, Ohio, on

Saturday, March 12th, 1904,

between the hours of one o'clock and four o'clock p. m., the following described lands and tenements, situate in the city of Lima, Allen county, state of Ohio, and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot number twenty-three hundred and sixty-seven (2367) in Wadd's addition to the city of Lima, Ohio.

(The same being situate on the east side of Blaine avenue.) Appraised at \$300.00. Terms of sale cash.

## SPECIAL RATES.

Jan. 5 and 19, Feb. 2d, and 16th. The Chicago and Erie railroad will sell cheap one way and round trip tickets to points in Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Nebraska and New Mexico.

Round trip tickets good 21 days, from date of sale. Call phone 60. 2-11 W. S. MORRISON, Agent.

## The Death Penalty.

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or puny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best Salve on earth and will prevent fatality, when burns, sores, ulcers and piles threaten. Only 25c. at H. F. Vorkamp's drug store, corner Main and North streets.

## EXCURSION TO NEW YORK

Via Pennsylvania Lines in February and March.

Excursion rates to New York, account spring meetings of Merchants' Association will be in effect via Pennsylvania lines, February 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th; also on February 27th, 28th and 29th, and March 1st, 1904. The sale of tickets will be governed by the certificate plan, which will be fully explained by ticket agents of the Pennsylvania lines. Apply to local ticket agent for particulars. d&w-11



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## BOTH

Sides of the Picture  
Frame Story

## In South Lima.

Anderson Denies Using  
a GunAs Charged By F. Bartlett  
and His Mother in the  
Mayor's Court.Interesting Items Concerning Those  
You Know, and Mention Made  
of Strangers in Your  
Midst.

In an interview with Mr. Bartlett, the south side photographer, who was the plaintiff in the case against J. J. Anderson, the south side postmaster, Mr. Bartlett said he had nothing to say farther than that Anderson had pulled a gun and pointed it first at his mother, then at himself. He said that circumstances were such he could not deliver the picture, and agreed to refund the money advanced by the 10th if the work was not completed. This, he says, did not suit Anderson, hence the assault.

Mr. Anderson was seen later and said: "Well, you see I denied pulling the revolver on either one of the Bartletts, so I was bound over to court in the sum of \$100. I see a morning paper stating that I acknowledged flourishing a gun, but that is not true. I did state that I took a gun with me, to use in case it was necessary, but I did not deem it necessary. Several persons saw me come out of the gallery with the frame, but none noticed, or even said they noticed a revolver, which I was accused of carrying. No sir, I am not guilty of the charge. I did go over there to clean up, or get the picture or money, I decided not to start anything, so I guess it would have been best not to have done that. I returned the frame Monday. I don't care to discuss the matter further." The matter will come up at the April term of court.

**New Enterprise for Lima.**  
In the near future a company will be organized to manufacture boilers for house heating, both for steam and hot water use. This is something that should meet with great success, as the field is large and the heating problem one of the most difficult ones we have to solve.

These boilers will be made similar to the one Joe Askins installed at his home on south Main street last fall, which has been doing excellent work, as Mr. Askins says he has been heating six rooms since November 30th with two tons of hard coal and one-half ton of refinery coke, and at no time has the temperature of the house been less than 70 degrees, except in the morning, when it is from 58 to 60 degrees, as the fires are fixed for the night at 6 p. m., and are not molested until 7 o'clock the next morning.

You people who have been burning

from eight to twelve tons of coal this winter thus far might do well to go and examine this apparatus, as Mr. Askins says the house is open every day to any one who is interested enough to come and examine it. He lives at No. 673 south Main street, and he has today put in his third ton of coal since November 30th, which he expects to run him the balance of the winter.

**New Arrivals.**  
Mr. and Mrs. James Montague, of St. Johns avenue, are proud parents of a bouncing boy baby.

Mrs. U. B. McKinnon, of Madison avenue, has received word that she is a grandmother again, a baby boy having been born to Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Pfeiffer, at Elida. The Pfeiffers formerly lived in south Lima.

**Dined Her Friends.**  
On south Pine street last Sunday, Miss Tillie Stants gave a dinner to several lady friends, which was greatly enjoyed. Those so delightfully entertained were the Misses Kate and Margaret O'Brien, Etta Hall, Hazel Eddy, May Murphy, Coral Pugh, Glenn Geach, Eva Lehman and Beulah Porter.

**Sad News.**  
A message from Green Springs, O., announced the serious illness of the father of L. A. and M. B. Ery, of St. Johns avenue. These men and their families are now at the sick man's bedside.

**Poor Old "Bob."**  
"Bob," the well-known black dog which of late has made the south side postoffice his loafing place, is no more. He was found at the rear door this morning, dead. Indications point to grief as the cause of his demise. "Bob" used to be a regular policeman, until he was insulted by a real bobby one night, who tied a can to him. Since then he has been everybody's dog, and was trying to make a mail carrier out of himself. "Jack" Anderson will see that the faithful, harmless old fellow is planted with honors due.

**Brief Mentions.**  
Miss Gertrude Benson, of south Jackson street, is at Fort Wayne, Ind., on a business mission.

Charles Burden has taken a position in the Haddock barber shop.

Mrs. A. S. Rudy, of south Main street, is sick with the grip.

Miss Anna Humphreys went to Fort Wayne this morning on business.

Miss Teresa Callahan, of south Jackson street, entertains Miss Fannie Hirsch, of Wapakoneta.

G. H. Copeland, traveling with the Davenport Co., and who has been visiting his family on south Central avenue, went to Wapakoneta yesterday to join the company.

Rev. G. W. Schmitz, of west Kibby street, left this morning for Covington, Ind., where he will conduct evangelistic meetings.

Mrs. Mary Hussey, of Mendon, O., who has been the guest of her daughters, Mrs. O. J. Rose, of Broadway, and Mrs. George Griffith, of south West street, has returned home.

Walter Keuthan, the young man who tried to commit suicide Sunday, and who is at the LaBelle sanatorium, is gaining rapidly.

No man can cure consumption. You can prevent it though. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, sore throat. Never fails.

Is to love children, and no home can be completely happy without them, yet the expectant mother must pass usually is so full of suffering, danger and fear that she looks forward to the critical hour with apprehension and dread.

**Mother's Friend**  
Mother's Friend, by its penetrating and soothing properties, allays nausea, nervousness, and all unpleasant feelings, and so prepares the system for the ordeal that she passes through the event safely and with but little suffering, as numbers have testified and said, "it is worth its weight in gold." \$1.00 per bottle of druggists. Book containing valuable information mailed free.

THE BRADFIELD REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga.



A prominent club woman, Mrs. Danforth, of St. Joseph, Mich., tells how she was cured of falling of the womb and its accompanying pains and misery by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Life looks dark indeed when a woman feels that her strength is fading away and she has no hopes of ever being restored. Such was my feeling a few months ago when I was advised that my poor health was caused by prolapsus or falling of the womb. The words sounded like a knell to me. I felt that my sun had set; but Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound came to me as an elixir of life; it restored the lost forces and built me up until my good health returned to me. For four months I took the medicine daily, and each dose added health and strength. I am so thankful for the help I obtained through its use."—Mrs. FLORENCE DANFORTH, 1077 Miles Ave., St. Joseph, Mich.—\$3.000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

**"FREE MEDICAL ADVICE TO WOMEN."**  
Women would save time and much sickness if they would write to Mrs. Pinkham for advice as soon as any distressing symptoms appear. It is free, and has put thousands of women on the right road to recovery.

## HOSPITABLE

Country Home Thrown Open  
to Guests.Young People Enjoy a Ride and  
Social Event at the Home of  
Mr. and Mrs. S. Repard.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Repard, and daughter Miss Carrie, entertained a jolly party of Lima young people at their hospitable home one and a half miles southeast of Beaver Dam, last night. The guests drove to the country home early in the evening, and spent several hours in a social good time, there being no limit to the enjoyment, and the host and hostess of the occasion proved to be the entertainers of the royal kind.

A tempting repast was not overlooked, and the trip there and returning offered excitement enough, as the country valleys still shelter snow drifts dangerous enough to compel venturesome autos parties to walk beyond them, rather than risk a mix-up by the overturning of vehicles. Those who responded to the invitation included the following:

Misses Lela Williams, Anna Shultz, Maud Story, Zoe Kilian, Anna Fetterly, Audrey Weaver, Mrs. James Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Niles, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Weaver, of Beaver Dam, and Messrs. Frank Kilian, Will Kintzer, Will Liedner, Walter Bryan, Will Fetterly, Mike Barnett, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Easterly and Ralph Armstrong.

## NEW NAVAL OFFICER.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 9.—President Roosevelt today will send to the senate the nomination of T. J. Jamson to be naval officer at Chicago.

## EARLY

## Spring Will See Beginning

## Of the Work

## On New High School Building.

Detailed Plans Were Carefully  
Examined at Meeting Last NightAnd a Special Meeting Will Be Held  
Next Monday Evening to Adopt  
Them—Routine Business  
Transacted.

The board of education got through with the routine business of the regular meeting in good time last night, but spent an extra hour in a careful inspection of the plans for the new high school building, which were shown by Architect Packard, of Columbus.

There were no specific changes from the plans which were described in detail a few weeks ago, except as to dimensions, the assembly room being made somewhat larger and will seat between five and six hundred pupils.

Mr. Packard discussed the material to be used and the color scheme, pronouncing what he had decided upon as combining a structure which would be pleasing from an architectural standpoint, and one which would wear well in the public eye. The massing will be of gray speckled brick, and a darker shade of limestone, the whole surmounted by a red tile roof. To use Mr. Packard's expression there will be no "sore thumb" or gingerbread gables or mormer windows, a single small tower rising from above the front entrance which will contain a clock with illuminated dial.

When the board adjourned it was to meet Monday evening for the purpose of formally adopting the plans and specifications, and on Tuesday the advertisement for bids will be turned over to the printer. The law requires that it shall have publication for four successive weeks, or over a period of 28 days, which would bring the opening of bids up to about March 14, thus insuring the first work of construction early in the spring.

## ROUTINE BUSINESS

Board Adopts Names of Richardson for Ward Building.

A working quorum was present at 8 o'clock, and later arrivals found all present except Dr. Blattenberg, Donahue and McClain.

Miss Disman had on file two applications from local teachers desiring the principalship of the two ward buildings in the east and west ends. They are Miss Clara V. Bingham and Miss Emma Gay. The applications were referred to the teachers' committee.

A communication was read from Scott Foresman & Co., in reply to the objection made to the workmanship on the rhetoric sent to the local book agent, and asking that a copy be returned for inspection. At the last meeting, the board ordered that no more of the books be given out, but there are only about two dozen left in stock.

The supply of coal has given out again at several of the buildings, and new orders will be placed. Other supplies were requested and the committee instructed to make the purchases. The visit to Columbus was reported to the board by Mr. Spiker, Mr. Morgan, the inspector will be here this week to go over through the Holland block and west building in person, and on motion of Mr. Klarte, the chair appointed Messrs. McNeany, Mooney and Fenwick a committee to meet him. The committee will also invite several representative citizens to meet Mr. Morgan and get his views on the safety of the buildings in question.

Mr. Klarte, who, with Mr. McNeany and Dr. Bates, had been chosen to be the side on a plan for the new ward building in the Kilde addition, reported that they had decided to honor one of the pioneer and respected families of the city, and asked that the building be called the "Richardson." The name was adopted and will be carried in stone above the entrance.

It was not the regular bid night, but Mrs. Veary of the finance committee presented a few pressing accounts, among which were amounts due several of the book companies. The list was as follows: Ginn & Co., \$58.20; D. C. Heath & Co., \$12.02; American Book Co., \$17.22; Ohio National Bank, interest, \$10.00; American Foundry and Machine Co., \$53.94; R. B. Hancock, labor \$115.

Supr. Miller, in his report, stated that the extreme cold weather, which had kept a number of the pupils out, and made it necessary several times to close some of the rooms, would have its effect on the showing for the term, but the best that could be done was done, and blame could attach to no one.

The D. grammar grade at Spring street becoming overcrowded, several of the scholars were taken out and sent to the west building annex, but this room is also crowded and extra seats will have to be placed to accommodate the increasing numbers.

Complaint was filed against the janitor of the south Elizabeth street building for not keeping it in a cleanly condition and the superintendent was directed to see that he carried out the instructions of the board in that regard, as an extra allowance had been made all of the janitors for the winter months to employ assistants.

**A Thousand Dollars Thrown Away.**  
"My wife had lung trouble for over fifteen years," writes Mr. W. W. Baker, of Plainville, Neb. "We tried a number of doctors and spent over a thousand dollars without any relief. She was very low and I lost all hope, when a friend suggested trying Foley's Honey and Tar, which I did; and thanks be to this great remedy it saved her life. She is stronger and enjoys better health than she has ever known in ten years. We shall never be without Foley's Honey and Tar and would ask those afflicted to try it." For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

## FARM FOR SALE.

I offer at private sale, my fruit and poultry farm consisting of 46 acres of good land, containing 650 young fruit trees. Also gooseberries, currants, grapes and strawberries. Henhouse 10x13 feet. 2 sets of buildings, well ditched, good fences, windmill, etc. A very desirable location on Anglaise river, one mile northwest of South Warsaw, Allen Co. O. Will sell very cheap if taken before Feb. 24th. R. F. D. 6, Lima, O.

W. N. BOYER.

## A NIGHT ALARM.

Worse than an alarm of fire at night is the brassy cough of croup, which sounds like the children's death knell and it means death unless something is done quickly. Foley's Honey and Tar never fails to give instant relief and quickly cures the worst forms of croup. Mrs. P. L. Cordier, of Monticello, Ky., says: "My three-year old girl had a severe case of croup; the doctor said she could not live. I got a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, the first dose gave quick relief and saved her life." Foley's Honey and Tar is best for croup and whooping cough, contains no opiate, and cures quickly. Careful mothers keep it in the house. Refuse substitutes. For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

## The Value of Exercise.

The brain that never calls upon itself for work must become dull and stupid, and it is the same way with the muscles of the body. They are filled with blood vessels that should be up and doing. The blood has several purposes, and one is to carry away the waste fluids of the body. The lungs are a sort of refinery, and the blood is a distilling agent. If the blood becomes thick and unhealthy and sluggish the body does not keep its youthful state. Eyes grow dull, lips lose their redness, and the complexion is sallow and unlovely. It is an easy and simple matter to make exercise a habit.

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**Next Monday Evening, February 15th,**

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H. F. Vorkamp's drug store,  
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Heitzler & Woerner's,  
Weixelbaum's cigar store,  
Tony Miller's saloon.

Any one wishing to attend the ball and not having received an invitation may hand in his name at any of the above mentioned places and the application will be handed to the committee for consideration.

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Per couple ..... \$1.00  
Extra lady ..... 25c  
Spectator's gallery ..... 25c

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#### WEATHER.

Washington, Feb. 9.—For Western  
Penna. and Ohio: Snow tonight and  
Wednesday; fresh north to northwest  
winds.

#### CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

The democrats of the 4th congress-  
sional district of Ohio will meet in  
convention in Celina, Ohio, on Tues-  
day, March 15, 10 a. m., to place in  
nomination a candidate for member of  
congress to represent the 4th Ohio  
Congressional District in the congress  
of the United States and for the fur-  
ther purpose of transacting such other  
business as may properly come before  
said convention.

The basis of representation in the  
convention will be one delegate for  
every one hundred votes or fraction  
of fifty votes cast for Herbert S.  
Bigelow at the election in 1932, the  
delegates to be selected in conformity  
to rules prescribed by the central com-  
mittee of each county. Under the  
said apportionment the several coun-  
ties will be entitled to representation as  
follows:

Allen county.....49 votes  
Angazie county.....38 votes  
Darke county.....50 votes  
Mercer county.....31 votes  
Shelby county.....28 votes  
Total.....196 votes; necessary to  
choice, 99 votes.

GEORGE W. SIGAFOOS,  
Chairman.  
A. E. SCHAFER,  
Secretary.

Is this county going to the Celina  
congressional convention en masse?

Fire proof buildings are getting al-  
most as scarce as burglar proof safes.

The czar's peace proclamation seems  
to be something like the Monroe doc-  
trine when it gets into the hands of a  
republican administration.

Under the Jeffery reform adminis-  
tration in Columbus, the only thing  
that isn't being stolen, and made to  
permanently disappear, is a bunch of  
typhoid germs.

When that organization of Zanes-  
ville women gets through beautifying  
the streets of that city, it will be per-  
mitted, indeed invited, to come to  
Lima and pay for the beautifying that  
has already been done here.

Until Hanna decidedly decides  
whether he will or will not be a candi-  
date for president, there is no use  
even guessing where the republican  
vice-presidential brick will strike. The  
senator's refusal or acceptance will  
materially affect the geography of the  
situation.

With Hanna laid low for several  
weeks with an attack of typhoid fever,  
a condition which all regret, it is a  
safe bet that there will be no change  
in the management of the local post-  
office until a few days after "the rob-  
ins nest again."

The Columbus Press-Post with a  
keen eye for the eternal fitness of  
things suggests that in addition to  
"standing pat" and letting "well-  
enough alone" the republican party  
should take on this battle cry: "Amer-  
ica for the jingoes, Panama hats for  
the rich, and real election for Teddy."

The national convention of the  
campers and backers of the nation  
opened in Columbus today, and the  
people of Ohio are praying that as a  
result of this gathering in the town  
where legislation formulated in Ham-  
ilton and Cuyahoga counties is put  
through ptomaine poisoning will not  
be added to its present enormous  
crop of typhoid bacilli and repub-  
lican administration.

#### POOR FINDLAY.

Agitation has been renewed in West  
Virginia on the subject of the levy of  
a heavy state tax on all natural gas  
piped out of the state. The measure  
is advocated by a number of news-  
papers and officials.—Columbus Dis-  
patch.

It is running in the minds of a good  
many people that the reported anger  
of Roosevelt with Foraker because of  
his bid to revive the anti-trust legisla-  
tion advisory on the docks, was a bluff  
to the public press and simple. For  
months Senator Foraker has been the  
president's spidee in the wheel in the  
senate, his mouth piece and fighter  
on the floor of congress. Roosevelt  
is digging ditches on the plains, and  
tearing down mountains, to secure the  
something presidential nomination,  
and it does not require an  
elastic stretch of intellect to  
reach the conclusion that he  
was instrumental, under cover, in hav-  
ing the Foraker bill, favorable to  
trusts, introduced. They do say, you  
know, that the trust interests are op-  
posed to Roosevelt. Then what more  
politically natural than that his  
spokesman should seek legislation less  
inimical to them.

## HIGH

Scores Made by the  
Bowlers

At Cleveland.

Reed and Manuel Have  
a Fast Pace,

Set by a Two Men Team  
From Belleville, Ill., That  
Is Hard to Beat.

Great Interest Taken in the Contest  
and Some Sensational Scores  
Have Been Made by  
the Experts.

The Bowling Congress in Cleveland  
is at full blast, and the interest taken  
surpasses all previous efforts. The  
Association Press reports today give  
the result of a number of the two men  
teams, but Reed and Manuel, of Lima,  
have not yet appeared. That they will  
have to make a wonderful record in  
order to come anywhere near the  
prizes, is evident from the following  
Cleveland dispatch this afternoon:

Cleveland, O., Feb. 9.—The most  
sensational contests of the fourth an-  
nual tournament developed as ex-  
pected today, when a team from Belleville,  
Ill., set the pace in the two men team  
events, and established a record which  
will be hard to beat by any of those  
entered in the tournament. The team  
from Belleville is composed of Messrs.  
Elwert and Funcke. Both had re-  
markable control of the ball, never  
losing their nerve at any stage of  
the contest, and although, while de-  
termined to win the championship,  
Mr. Elwert rolled a better game than  
his companion. In the first game, af-  
ter a bad start, Elwert toppled over a  
series of three games in a match  
game, 233-1-2, was watched with con-  
siderable interest as he bowled with  
Weber another crack Chicagoan. They  
came in a close second in the first  
series of games. Peth started well  
with 199 pins to his credit in the first  
game. In the second game he increas-  
ed his total to 213, but in the third  
game, he fell down badly. Weber, his  
partner, who failed to settle down at  
the beginning of the series, came to  
the rescue in the final game, rolling  
218, which gave the Chicago team sec-  
ond place in the first series.

Elwert and Funcke's total number of  
pins in the three games was 1170, and  
Weber and Peth, 1107. The lowest  
record of two men teams, so far, is  
that of Spott and Seager, of Canton,  
whose total was 917, or an average  
for each player in each game of 153,  
which is a good average score.

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## After Dinner

To assist digestion, relieve distress  
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to prevent constipation, take

## Hood's Pills

Sold every where. 25 cents.

## MARKETS.

New York, Feb. 9.—The sharp de-  
pression in foreign markets, on ac-  
count of the outbreak of hostilities be-  
tween Russia and Japan had little ef-  
fect in the opening dealings today in  
the stock market here. Gains and  
losses were very evenly divided and  
some important stocks were conspicu-  
ous among the gains. Southern Pa-  
cific, rose  $\frac{3}{4}$ , U. S. Steel preferred  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  
and Sugar and Brooklyn Transit  
about a point. The greatest losses  
were in Washash which fell  $\frac{3}{4}$  and  
Louisville and Nashville. The mar-  
ket was active and varied.

## Cotton Ginned.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The census  
bureau today issued a report showing  
the amount of cotton ginned from the  
crop grown in 1933 up to and includ-  
ing January 10, 1934, there were 30,  
171 active ginneries in operation.  
Square bales amounted to 9,038,890;  
round bales 740,480 and Sea Island  
crop 72,907. Total commercial bales,  
9,859,277.

## Cleveland Produce.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 9.—Butter,  
creamery extra 25 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 26; state 23;  
process 19 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; dairy, 17 to 18;  
rolls, choice, 16 to 17; packing stock  
11 to 13; prints unchanged. Fresh  
eggs 24 to 25. No other changes in  
the produce market.

## Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—Cattle, receipts  
4,000. Market steady. Good to prime  
steers \$5.00 to \$5.70; poor to medium  
\$4.25 to \$4.90; stockers and feeders  
\$2.50 to \$4.10; cows \$1.50 to \$4.25; heif-  
ers \$2 to \$4.50; canners \$1.50 to \$2.50;  
Hogs, receipts today 25,000, com-  
row \$5.00. Market stronger; mixed  
and butchers \$4.95 to \$5.25; good to  
choice \$5.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; bulk of sales \$4.95 to  
\$5.15.

Sheep, receipts 18,000; sheep and  
lambs steady; good to choice wethers,  
\$4 to \$4.50; fair to choice mixed \$3.75 to  
\$4; native lambs \$4.25 to \$5.

Twenty old maids will be at the  
convention at Elk's lodge room to-  
night. Bachelors are wanted for  
them.

## STATE BOARD ORGANIZES.

Columbus, O., Feb. 9.—The state  
board of public works reorganized to-  
day by re-electing Wm. Johnston, of  
Akron, president, and W. H. McClin-  
tock, of Defiance, secretary, Harry A.  
Morris, of Portsmouth, was named for  
superintendent of the southern divi-  
sion of the Ohio canal, succeeded F. C.  
Dietz, of Zanesville. Chas. E. Per-  
kins as chief engineer.

## THE GIBSON MONUMENT.

Columbus, Feb. 9.—F. A. Maberry,  
D. D. Bugger, Kora F. Briggs, E. T.  
Naylor, Judge Advocate Nimitz, Alex.  
Kiekaddon, and County Treasurer C.  
Ash, of Fostoria, with Mayor Mark  
Leister, of Tiffin, called upon Gov.  
Herrick this morning in an effort to  
interest him in the movement to erect  
a monument to General W. H. Gibson,  
at Tiffin. An appropriation of \$10,  
000 will be asked.

## DANGEROUS.

"In ancient times," remarked Mrs.  
Fosdick, "people wrote to each other  
on clay tablets, which were baked be-  
fore sending."

"Then letter writing in those days  
was largely in the nature of throwing  
bricks at one another," commented  
Mr. Fosdick.—Detroit Free Press.

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Knows the Game of  
Politics,

But Not That

In Common Talk Called  
Draw Poker.

His Friend Grosvenor Shows  
Conclusive Proof of Sena-  
tor's Ignorance of Game.

Any Man Who Says "I Hold the  
Edge" Is Not Posted—Sharp  
Criticism of a Missis-  
sippi Member.

A chuckle, almost convulsive, shook  
the frame of Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio,  
"Edge," he ejaculated, scornfully.  
"Edge!"

The sources of the General's pertur-  
bation of spirit were an account of the  
speech of Representative John  
Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the Dem-  
ocratic house leader, which appeared  
in some of the newspapers yesterday,  
and a clipping from the Philadelphia  
Press. Mr. Williams had ventured  
some criticism of Mr. Hanna's choice  
and use of poker terms and the Phila-  
delphia paper had said:

Members of the house were not the  
only persons who received poker  
shocks. Senator Hanna took up a  
morning paper, only to find himself  
quoted as saying before the National  
Board of Trade:

"Gentlemen, we hold the ace. I sup-  
pose you know what that means?"  
"Holy Moses!" said Hanna. "Look  
at this: 'Hold the ace.' I don't mind  
the papers printing wrong things  
about my politics, but when it is al-  
leged that I know no more about politics  
than to say we hold the ace I protest.  
What use is an ace unless you have  
a couple or three or four?"

"I said, 'Hold the edge,' I meant  
hold the edge, Lord, but that makes  
me tired."

At last Gen. Grosvenor's feelings  
found full expression.

"Senator Hanna has been greatly  
misunderstood in the country," he  
said, "by reason of certain epigram-  
matic statements he has made about  
the position of the 'democratic party'  
on the tariff question, and it has gone  
to the country that Senator Hanna  
has some knowledge, either by report  
or observation of the game of draw  
poker. I think I can show how absurd  
that idea is and convince impartial  
thinkers of all parties that Senator  
Hanna does not understand the very  
rudiments of the game."

"Senator Hanna comes to the res-  
cue of himself and says he didn't say:  
'We hold the ace,' and makes the  
further statement: 'I said I hold the  
edge.' Lord, but that makes me  
tired."

"Now any tyro knows there is no  
such term in use in or about a poker  
game as 'edge.' The player at the left  
of the dealer is said to 'hold the ace.'  
Popularly, he says, 'I'm old,' or 'I sit  
old,' but never 'I hold the edge.'"  
"I refer the student who desires to  
be accurate to the Century Dictio-  
nary and Cyclopaedia, Vol. 1, page 108,  
where appears the following:

"Age (13). The eldest hand, or the  
first player up the left of the dealer,  
who bets."

"This shows how shameful it is for  
Mr. Williams, or any one else, to in-  
sinnuate that our distinguished Sena-  
tor, with all his other high qualities,  
has even a bowing acquaintance with  
the great American game of draw  
poker."—Washington Post.

You need clean healthy bowels just  
as much as pure, wholesome food;  
without either, you cannot keep well.  
Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea elimi-  
nates all impurities. 35 cents, tea or  
tablets. H. F. Vorkamp.

IT'S AN ILL WIND, ETC.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—The outbreak of  
hostilities between Japan and Russia  
caused a jump of \$1.22 $\frac{1}{2}$  per barrel  
today on the price of pork for May.  
May pork opened slightly higher at  
\$13.70 to \$13.75 and was bid up sharp-  
ly to \$14.50. The rest of the provision  
list also advanced with buying for the  
English account of a contributory fact  
in the strength.

A GOOD CLAIM.

"So he brought back a fortune from  
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out a good claim."

"You bet he did. Why, he stalked  
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trict the very first thing."

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"Even when they get ready to dig  
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ALL WOOD, BUT FIREPROOF.

## PISTOL

Was Drawn in an Al-  
tercation

In Which Two South Side  
Men Were Engaged.

John J. Anderson Gives Bond to  
Await the Action of the Grand  
Jury—Police Court  
News.

John J. Anderson, charged by B. F.  
Bartlett with drawing a pistol on him,  
was bound over to the grand jury,  
and gave bond in the sum of \$100.  
The dispute arose over the enlarging  
of a picture for Anderson, who claims  
to have paid a portion of the price,  
but waited until his patience was ex-  
hausted to receive the finished work.  
He went to Bartlett's place of business  
and helped himself to a picture frame  
and it was on that occasion that An-  
derson is accused of producing con-  
cealed weapons.

Overdoses of Booze.

Four drunks appeared on the police  
court calendar. Bert Jones was pic-  
ked on south Main street, by Officer  
Jackson. Philip Bell was found in a  
practically helpless condition at Eli  
Breathinger's place by Officer Grant,  
and O. W. Baker, a strolling musician,  
who claims to have once been a big  
drawing card as an all round com-  
edian, drifted into the arms of Officer  
Kelly at the corner of Main and High  
streets.

## CONVICTS STILL AT LARGE.

Columbus, O., Feb. 9.—No traces  
has been found of burglar Jim Ander-  
son and Geo. Rankin, convicts who  
mysteriously disappeared from the  
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

PARTIES having or knowing of a yet-  
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# Losses in Big Fire Are Not So Great.

## WELCOME IS THE DISCOVERY MADE

### In Wake of Flames.

Millions of Dollars Worth of Paper Recovered From the Ruins.

### Aspect Is Now Much Brighter.

Vaults of Banks and Trust Companies Found With Their Treasures Intact—Great Conflagration Is Gradually Burning Itself Out in Oriole City.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—Mayor McLane, when asked for a statement today declared the following to the Associated Press: "Baltimore will now enter undaunted into the task of resurrection. A greater and more beautiful city will arise from the ruins and we shall make of this calamity a future blessing. We are staggered by the terrible blow, but we are not discouraged and every energy of the city as a municipality and its citizens as provided individual will be devoted to a rehabilitation that will not only prove the stuff we are made of but be a monument to the American spirit."

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—After a meeting of the representatives of insurance companies, it was announced that they estimate the loss at one hundred and twenty-five million dollars with insurance to the amount of ninety millions.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—After investigation it is announced that vaults of the Continental Trust company, which contains securities to the value of \$200,000,000 are intact. The vaults of the Maryland Trust company and those of the Mercantile Trust company have not been damaged in the least. The banks of Brown Brothers, directly in the path of the flames practically escaped without loss.

Adjacent to this was a high retail district with most of the principal jewelry, furniture and piano establishments. Principally every office building in the city was destroyed along with the banks and trust companies in the financial district, nearly every one of these being consumed. Around the stock exchange Chamber of Commerce, which early fell before the flames, were located the offices of many brokers and these with all foreign steamship and custom houses brokers offices were involved in the widespread ruin.

Another wholesale district destroyed was that devoted to grocery and produce, the historic old "Marsh market" going down in ruins. Right in the heart of the burned district was located the immense central power plant of United Railway and Electric Co., its four closely grouped stacks being visible from only one side of the flame-swept zone and its fallen walls forming one of the most impressive as well as accessible ruins. To the eastward of the power house and ending at Jones Falls and the harbor, the eastern and southern boundaries of the fire is a region given up to lumber yards, sawing and packing factories and ice houses, accessible on both sides by water and making the first real check and farthest progress of the flames. Today there is a scramble for office room on the part of the hundreds of business firms whose homes are but unrecognizable wreckage.

An investigation of the ruins of several of the banks and trust companies in the destroyed section today disclosed the fact that their vaults and contents are absolutely intact. This discovery will enormously reduce the estimated loss, revealing as it did that paper amounting to hundreds of millions of dollars in value is unscorched. The aspect immediately assumed a brighter tone. The most remarkable and fortunate escape made by any company within the fire belt was probably that of Brown Brothers, whose building is located directly opposite the Continental Trust Company's 16-story structure and it was this point that the flames were the fiercest. Every vault in this building is undamaged.

Officials of the Mercantile Trust Co. and the Maryland Trust Co. reported that the examination of their vaults and shown that everything in them was intact and not very badly scorched. The buildings too of these institutions were found to be in excellent shape.

Baltimore, Feb. 9.—With the great face the grave questions of civic and fire which ate up property variously municipal readjustment. Confronting estimated at from twenty-five million to one hundred and fifty million the city government are the problems of how to deal with the vast area of ruins, the acceptance or refusal of generous proffered assistance from

every section of the country. The policy of the vast burned district where lies buried untold treasure in wrapped vaults and safes and all the hundred minor things that follow a calamity so stupendous that it is even yet hardly fully realized.

With admirable promptness, all the important phases of the situation have already been provided for. To relieve banks and citizens from the embarrassment of financial transactions the next 7 days have been declared legal holidays in the commonwealth of Maryland.

The city is orderly. The hours of the early morning, which vandals and looters usually seize for their work, passed without event. But one man is under arrest for offense directly connected with the fire.

Never before has there been a fire of such magnitude absolutely without loss of life and so remarkably free from accidents. The only persons injured was Jacob Ingelfritz, a volunteer fireman of York, Pa. He was unconscious when taken to the hospital. A report arose that he was dead. He soon revived, however, and was reported this morning to be suffering only from a broken leg and minor injuries.

A careful round of the hospitals reveals the fact that by far the greater part of the entries in the books are simply for "foreign body in the eye." In this respect as in many others, the great blaze that had the city in its grasp for 27 terrible hours is unique. History affords no parallel to a calamity so costly in treasure and so fortunately free from loss of life or limb.

Bright and early in spite of the fatigue of his long tour of duty, Mayor McLane was at his office this morning, holding conferences with the other city and state officials, and Gov. Warfield was also on hand.

Today dawned cold and clear and lacking wind. There was a decided fall in temperature during the night, and by early morning, the full gutters of the fire district and the flooded streets were turned to ice. The absence of wind is a God-send, for thousands of feet of tottering walls would surely tumble in a strong breeze and add greatly to the peril of the men whose duty calls them in the danger zone.

Baltimore is not under martial law, Gen. Riggs' terms the condition "military control," but in no way have the civil authorities been superseded. Military and civil authority are working together.

One half of the local fire companies were ordered to their quarters at 1 a. m., the newly arrived volunteer visitors remaining to assist the weary local men. With the exception of a few buildings, 110 acres of valuable city fires started among the ruins of the property is devastated. During the early morning hours, several small burned buildings. Only debris, however, was left to be destroyed.

Not the slightest disturbance occurred during the long hours of the night, the first since Saturday in which Baltimore has dared to sleep. Utterly exhausted by the long siege of watching, when no man could say that any portion of the city was safe, the people of Baltimore last night went to rest feeling assured that the flames were entirely controlled and the full extent of the damage known—only the firemen, police and guardsmen remained on duty during the night. In spite

of the almost entire absence of spectators, the guards were vigilant to the uttermost and it was almost impossible for even the newspaper men to keep watch of the progress of the flames. Doubled sentries on every corner of the long cordon around the flame-swept district challenged sharply every passer, and in many cases refused to honor the police fire line permits or even the regular military pass purporting to be good on all posts and at all hours of the day or night.

Beginning this morning, the companies of the first regiment Maryland guard, which had been ordered here yesterday afternoon, were posted on guard. The fourth and fifth regiments which with troops A cavalry, Baltimore guardsmen, who had been doing police duty since the sounding of the riot call Sunday afternoon were not relieved entirely, but were excused, a company at a time, to go to their homes. General Riggs, who, as commander in chief of the brigade of state troops has been in personal command of the military since the outbreak of the fire, is unwilling to say how long it may be necessary to keep the out of town companies here, or how soon it will be possible to relieve the home regiments, but it is evident that it will be several days at least before the policing of the city can be entrusted to its regular guardians under normal conditions.

With the falling of night began the departure of the outside firemen who had responded to the call for assistance from Baltimore, the flames being so completely under control that Fire Chief Horton believed he could safely dispense with the battalions from other towns. The Chester and Altoona departments left last night, and the other outside firemen departed at intervals during the day.

Incoming trains during the forenoon brought sightseers in considerable numbers from adjacent and nearby country districts. Even to the very edge of the burned region there is nothing spectacular. Strangers alighting from trains at the large railway stations, particularly those in the northern section of town, see merely the normal Baltimore under a brilliant winter sky.

By reason of the cessation of street car service, there are large crowds on the street, but the transportation companies are making brave efforts to resume service. The suburban lines are maintaining service and certain tracks in the unaffected parts of the town also display a few cars.

Of the great region swept by the fire, curiously enough no part was devoted to residences, so the sheltering of homeless is no part of the city's problem. In the fire area are embraced the financial district, a considerable portion of the wholesale district, an area given over to brokers of various kinds and large shipping districts along the wharves. In the wholesale district at the northwestern corner of the fire zone were located many of the wholesale dry goods merchants and manufacturers of clothing, an important Baltimore industry.

**Perfect Confidence.** Where there used to be a feeling of uneasiness and worry in the household when a child showed symptoms of croup, there is now perfect confidence. This is owing to the uniform success of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the treatment of that disease. Mrs. M. I. Basford, of Poolesville, Md., in speaking of her experience in the use of that remedy says: "I have a world of confidence in Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for I have used it with perfect success. My child Garland is subject to severe attacks of croup and it always gives him prompt relief." For sale by all druggists.

The only way a bridegroom can attract attention at a wedding is to come from out of town, and make his first appearance to the friends of the bride when he appears in the wedding procession.

### JAPANESE WINS.

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in the event of disturbances in that country. At the same time, while rigorously observing the fundamental principle of her policy regarding Korea whose independence and integrity were guaranteed by previous understandings with Japan, and by treaties with other powers, Russia insisted on three points:

1. On a mutual unconditional guarantee of this principle.
2. On an undertaking to use no part of Korea for strategic purposes, as the authorization of such action on the part of any foreign power was directly opposed to the independence of Korea.
3. On the preservation of the full freedom of navigation of the straits of Korea.

The project elaborated in this sense did not satisfy the Japanese government, which in its last proposals not only declined to accept the conditions which appeared as the guarantee of the independence of Korea, but also began at the same time to insist on provisions to be incorporated in a project regarding the question of Manchuria. Such demands on the part of Japan, naturally, were inadmissible, the question of Russia's position in Manchuria, concerning in the first place China, but also all the powers having commercial interests in China. The imperial government, therefore, saw absolutely no reason to incite in a special treaty with Japan regarding Korean affairs any provisions concerning territory occupied by Russian troops. The imperial government, however, did not refuse so long as the occupation of Manchuria lasted to recognize both the sovereignty of the emperor of China, in Manchuria, and also the rights acquired there by other powers through treaties with China. A declaration to this effect had already been made to the foreign cabinets. In view of this the imperial government, after charging its representative at Tokio to present its reply to the last proper authority of Japan, was justified in expecting the Tokio cabinet to take into account the considerations set forth above and that it would appreciate the wish manifested by Russia to come into a peaceful understanding with Japan. Instead the Japanese government, not even awaiting this reply, decided to break off negotiations and to suspend diplomatic relations. The imperial government, while laying on Japan, full responsibility for any consequence of this course of action will await the development of events and the moment it becomes necessary will take the most decisive measures for the protection of its rights and interests in the far East."

The Russian battleship Retvizan was built by the Cramps, at Philadelphia. She is of 12,700 tons displacement, has 16,000 indicated horsepower and has a speed of 18 knots per hour. Her armor is of Krupp steel, from four to ten inches in thickness, and her armament consists of four twelve inch guns, twelve 6 inch guns, 20 three inch guns and 26 smaller rapid fire guns.

The Cesaravitch is a battleship of 13,760 tons, built in France. In armor equipment and speed, she is about equal to the Retvizan.

The Palatia is a cruiser of 6,630 tons. She was built in Germany, and was completed in 1902. Her armament consists of six 6 inch guns, twenty 3 inch guns and eight 1.4 inch guns. Her speed is estimated at 20 knots.

**Hayashi Gets News.** London, Feb. 9.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister informed the Associated Press today, that he had received this morning a cable dispatch announcing the departure of the Japanese fleet for the Yellow Sea. While he had no news of the engagement off Port Arthur, the minister was aware that Japan intended throughout this war to employ torpedo boats to the fullest possible extent. He had not heard of the landing of Japanese troops in Korea.

### A DARING EXPLOIT.

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#### RED CROSS SOCIETY GOES TO THE FRONT.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—The Russian Red Cross society already has sent 2,000 beds to the far East and sisters of mercy are leaving. The temper of the people which was indicated in the great personal demonstration accorded to their majesties at the Imperial opera house yesterday evening, the audience rising and singing "God Save the Czar and Give Him Victory," was further manifested this morning after the arrival of the news from Port Arthur in the crowds of volunteers who besieged the general staff officers.

The naval reserves have been called out.

#### JAPS EVIDENTLY CAUGHT THEM NAPPING.

The action of the Japanese in attacking the Russian fleet without a declaration of war is denounced as an outrage by the Russians generally and as a result, from the larger centers throughout European Russia comes the information that the country is already aroused by the Japanese action in breaking off the negotiations.

The effect on the bourse, where it was rumored that the full extent of the fighting at Port Arthur had not been made public and the fighting was still progressing, was that a resumption of the panic seemed absolutely inevitable. The market had no support, Imperial fours falling another point. Lottery bonds were quoted at 36 roubles and bank stocks at 26.

United States Ambassador McCormick was notified this morning that Russia had no objection to the United States looking after Japanese interests in Russia. No current business will be left by M. Kurino, the minister of Japan. Mr. McCormick's principal duties will be to protect the few Japanese subjects who reside in European Russia. There are only twenty of them in St. Petersburg and five in Moscow, but there may be difficulties in Asiatic Russia.

The Associated Press learns that M. Kurino recommended his government, instead of the action taken, to offer to submit the controversy to the Hague arbitration tribunal, but it is believed here that the Japanese feared that on account of the excitement of the people they would not support the government in such a course.

The Russian authorities declare that the Russian response was in Baron De Rosen's hands, at Tokio and was being translated when Japan's notifications of the severance of diplomatic relations arrived.

#### RUSSIAN MAIL STEAMER CAPTURED.

London, Feb. 9.—7:50 p. m.—A dispatch to Reuters Telegraph Company from Shanghai says it is credibly reported that the Russian mail steamer Mongolia, which left Shanghai Sunday, has been captured by the Japanese off Shan Tung peninsula.

## SENATOR HANNA'S CONDITION TODAY.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Senator Hanna according to the report of his nurses, passed a good night and is resting comfortably this morning. A consultation of physicians was to have been held at 11 o'clock, but it had not been held at 12:15 o'clock owing to the non arrival of Dr. Ossler, from Baltimore. It probably will be held within an hour. It was stated at the senator's hotel today, that his temperature is two degrees lower than it was yesterday and that he was resting comfortably.

#### GLOBE SIGHTS.

If you want consideration always give it.

Every idle person bothers two or three busy ones.

The trouble with most successful men is, they try to eat all they earn.

Statement from an Ivory soap advertisement: It is the best of good manners to be clean.

When a man fails heir to a big job, it is often said that his head swells. And it is usually true.

If you are lonesome, it is because you are so disagreeable that nobody cares to visit you.

Speaking of bear, deer and ducks: It is easy to kill them after you come back from the hunt.

The cold facts are, the doctors can't help you; so far as you can be helped, you must help yourself.

It is said of another life recently ended that it was a sacrifice. Can't this be said of most of them?

The two hours later a working man

#### Consultation Held.

Washington, Feb. 9.—After the consultation the following bulletin was issued: "Senator Hanna had a more comfortable night. His temperature at noon was 102, pulse 92. His general condition continues to be good." (Signed)

#### DRS. RIXEY, USLER AND CARTER.

Senator Hanna's condition at the time of the consultation of his physicians this afternoon showed marked improvement over that of yesterday—indeed, over that of several days past. His temperature fell last night and he slept well for about five hours.

lies in bed Sunday morning are about all there is to him on Sunday.

We like a polite child; but as this is our day to be sunny, we will not say what we think of the other kind.

You often hear a policeman say: "I'm tired of this one man power." How about this one woman power?

We don't know what the "halcyon days of youth" are, never having had any that could be described that way.

Probably it is all right that the woman get the best of it in court; they usually get the worst of it elsewhere.

We find that when we are with girls of eighteen, their chief feeling for us is one of pity because we have no chafing dish.

Now that a school teacher at Effingham has the measles, it may be definitely decided if "measles is" or "measles are."

Can you imagine a woman loving a man enough to commit suicide for him, after seeing him with icicles hanging to his moustache?







## BEING A BOHEMIAN

By Helen Rowland

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Dorothy Brockway ran gayly up the steps to the first class passenger coach and stood in the Richmond depot.

"Ta, ta," she called gayly to a big fellow who stood beside the coach. "Bye, Teddy," and with a pretty little movement she blew a kiss to the waiting man, then disappeared within the door of the train.

The man lifted his hat solemnly, then he strode away with a quiet, hurt look in his eyes, not even waiting to see the merry face that peered out of the window as the train panted and pulled out of the station.

"Oh, brace up, Morrison! This won't do. There's no use making a mule of yourself for any fool girl who doesn't half appreciate you."

"You don't know anything about it!" And Terry Morrison walked off, leaving the man who had been trying to cheer him up standing where he was, a little chagrined and a bit sorry for the big fellow.

As the train whizzed past the outskirts of the city Dorothy Brockway stretched out her arms and drew a deep sigh of relief.

"Free, free, free!" she breathed in a passionate whisper and leaned back in the seat with a wonderful smile in her eyes and deep, joyous satisfaction permeating her whole being. "No more mamma! No more Teddy! No more chaperons! No more tea parties!" she went on. "Just fun and work and do as I please and be bohemian. Oh, how I hate it all! Mamma's conventionalities! Teddy's bossing—don't old Ted! How broken up he looked!—and some of the merriest faded from her eyes. It was dusk as her train steamed into Jersey City and the tall skyscrapers on Park row were sending forth a million twinkling lights that streamed over the water. Dorothy looked about her a little bewildered, but made her way hurriedly to the gates, followed by a fat porter who carried her grips. Through the hats she spied a smiling pair of eyes, and Corinne Morrison came to meet her with an amused look on her face.

"You dear little idiot," said Corinne as she kissed her and led the way to the ferryboat. "You absurd little creature! Why on earth did you leave me good and glorious brother to come up to this scolding caldron? Why didn't you stay at home and marry him and get supported for the rest of your life?"

"Connie," said Dorothy severely, "you don't know what it is to be bossed and bossed and bossed. I want to be bohemian."

There was a queer little light in Corinne's eyes as she answered: "All right, dear, we'll begin right away. Come, we'll take a street car instead of a cab. It wouldn't be bohemian to take a cab, you know. Bohemians are all poor. I'm a bohemian."

"But—but—all these bags!" And Dorothy looked helplessly at the pile of leather satchels beside her.

"They aren't bohemian either," And Corinne relentlessly led the way to the car, nudging two satchels, while Dorothy followed helplessly with the rest.

Three-quarters of an hour later they were wearily climbing the stairs to Corinne's studio. Up one long flight, up two, up three! Dorothy sat down in a heap on the dirty floor to rest.

"Connie, is your studio in heaven?"

"Yes, when I sell anything. Come along, girl; you'll get there. It merely requires perseverance." And one more flight brought the two to a battered door in a dirty hall, smelling of mold and dampness. Corinne took out her key and unlocked the door.

"Oh, how glorious!" sighed Dorothy, "to carry your own latchkey!"

"Delightful!" And Corinne's voice was a bit ironical.

Just three weeks later Dorothy rolled over wearily in her automatic combination bed and folding couch that did duty by day as an "oriental corner" with a lot of gaudy pillows piled upon it.

"Connie," she said tragically, "do you know just how much money I have between me and the cold, cold world? Just \$1.51! And I haven't sold a single thing I've written, and Connie, is there anything else in Bohemia besides work and disappointment and editors who won't see you?"

"Yes," said Connie doubtfully. "I believe there are the Hungarian restaurants. You need cheering up, girl. We'll do a Hungarian restaurant to-night. I'll telephone two of the boys from Park row to meet us somewhere, and we'll go to Martinetti's."

"Meet us? Meet us? Can't they call for us here?"

"Why, no," and Corinne turned reproachful eyes on Dorothy. "They are newspaper men, you know, and can only steal an hour or so from the office. Besides, that would be awful conventional. No, not that low cut frock, please. Pick out your prettiest shirt waist if you're going slumming with me."

Dorothy set her teeth firmly and snatched away the little crown that had been to cloud her forehead.

The tweedy orchestra was playing the latest air from a popular comic opera as Dorothy Brockway, followed by Corinne and the two newspaper men, in their morning clothes, entered the third rate bohemian cafe. The lights flashed on a hundred women in gaily gowns, wearing every color and variety of hat. Jewels, real and paste, twinkled under the chandeliers, and the fumes from a hundred cigarettes rose to heaven. Some college boys were singing "Bola Bola" totally oblivious of time and tune, and were pounding

on the table with their forks in wild applause at their own jokes.

"How do you like it?" asked Corinne as they took their seats.

"It's choky," said Dorothy noncommittally.

"What do you take?" asked one of the men, looking at Dorothy.

"Why—why—oh, anything. I think I'd like a chocolate frappe."

A loud laugh from the other three greeted this remark.

"Bring us four Martinis to start with," said Reggie Cutting to the waiter, who wore a soiled collar and a cut-away.

Dorothy looked at Corinne apprehensively.

"Are Martinis cocktails," she asked shyly, "because if they are I've never tasted one?"

Just then one of the college boys arose, looked around and blew a kiss toward Corinne and Dorothy.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he began, "in the presence of a lady who has just declared that she never before tasted a cocktail I blush to remark—"

"Oh, oh, I'm going home this minute!" said Dorothy, rising and looking about her with misty eyes and cheeks burning with mortification.

"Sit down, Dolly," whispered Corinne. "He doesn't mean anything. Sit down and don't notice him. Here's your cocktail."

That is all that Dorothy ever remembered of that horrible evening. The next morning she stood before the wardrobe, miserably, towel in hand.

"Connie, Connie, this water's so cold, and I can't find any soap, and haven't you got anything but a tin basin to wash in?"

"Other's broken," came cheerfully from the inner recesses of a closet.

"Oh, my head!" said Dorothy, sinking down on the hard pillows of the "fake" couch. "Oh, my head! How could you make me drink that cocktail—"

"Well, I never touch another—and what would Teddy say?"

"Oh, he'd just be bossy and particular about it. You'll get used to Bohemia after awhile. Are you tired of it already?" And Corinne glanced oddly at Dorothy.

"I'm tired of something. My last story came back by the post this morning, declined 'with thanks,' and I've tried the last place I know of for a position on a staff. Why, there aren't any positions here. And everybody's such an atom in New York, and editors don't take off their hats when you go to see them, but just keep right on smoking their pipes, and in their shirt sleeves too. Oh, my head," and Dorothy was sobbing violently in half a minute.

"Dorothy Brockway, if you must that pillow up I'll make you pay for it. It's my best, so you just stop your crying on it right away."

Dorothy arose with a sudden gulp and glared at her companion.

"You're a cold, hard hearted, coarse person," she said, with blazing eyes. "And I'm going back home tomorrow."

Two days later Mr. Ted Morrison sat in his office in the afternoon sunshine looking over the mail which had just come in. His hat was pushed back from his forehead, showing a fine head of curly brown hair. He was laughing softly and reading over for the third time two letters he had just received.

The first ran in this vein:

Dearest Teddy—Meet me tomorrow at the station, 5 p. m. I'm coming home forever and ever. New York is the most interesting place I have ever been in. Publishers up here aren't a bit interested in young talent. They seem to be anxious about old things, to nip it in the bud. Socially New York is delightful. People do nothing but wash in tin basins, drink cocktails and live in attics. You dear darling old boy! I am just longing to come home and try it all out on your coat rack. Your penitent DOROTHY.

The other letter was quite different in purport. It ran thus:

Dear Ted—I've done the very best I could for you, and you owe me that \$100 you promised me if I'd send her back. I followed her about and persuaded every publisher who might be inclined to look favorably upon her work to turn it coldly and peremptorily down. I took her to the nearest restaurant I know of and made her drink a cocktail. I even persuaded Reggie Cutting to be rude to her. All O. K. She leaves in the morning. Remember the hundred. Your affectionate sister, CONNIE.

Dorothy's Information.

Eliza is an old retainer in a certain Philadelphia family, for whom she has labored many years. The children of the family have grown to regard her with mingled awe and fear, all but Tom, the youngest, who is now eight years old. In spite of her dominant years, says the Philadelphia Record, Eliza is very unsophisticated.

She was horrified to learn that her wealth, for she had been putting away her savings for years and had about \$600 in the savings fund.

Tom and some of his small cronies wanted a nickel to spend for candy, but all the mothers were out.

"I'll tell you what we'll do," said Tom. "I'll borrow 5 cents from our Eliza. She's got lots of money."

"Aw," exclaimed the inevitable pessimist, "she ain't got any money."

"She has," replied Tom. "She's got a lot of money in a bank downtown next to Williams' candy shop."

Eliza chanced to hear this remark, and she rushed out into the yard, sent the other boys home, clutched Tom by the collar and started to read him a lecture on the value of prudence.

"Never tell that again!" she said earnestly. "Suppose a burglar had been round and heard you say that? Where would I be? Why, if he knew all that money was there he'd go right to the bank, break in and steal it!"

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A grievous wall oftentimes comes as a result of unbearable pain from overtaxed organs. Dizziness, headache, liver complaint and constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills, they put an end to it all.

They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. (Quaranteed by H. F. Vorkamp's drug store, corner Main and North streets.)

## HER FIRST PROPOSAL

By KEITH GORDON

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It was the softest of spring days, and Mowbray and Miss Farrar strolled through the greenery of the park with the languid abstraction born of the first warm weather and a friendship of several years' standing. Though their eyes drank in the beauty of the scene about them—the great stretches of greensward, the trees and bushes that were bursting into the tender green of the season as into a sort of silent song—neither of them was thinking of it.

Miss Farrar, indeed, was living over other days inevitably brought back by the warm breeze and the smell of growing things—other springtimes when life meant only the beautiful possibility of love. And Mowbray was thinking of her and wondering if by any chance it would be worth while to tell her, for in spite of her unquestionable attractiveness he could not help feeling that he would find it hard to look into those calm, clear eyes and talk of love. Yet he was neither cowardly nor inexperienced. He simply had a natural shrinking from being regarded with "suppressed amusement" by the woman he loved. And in her apparent immunity from such emotions that was what he feared. She would in all probability only laugh her light, frank laugh and say, "Nonsense, Clark; don't be silly!"

He sent a speculative glance toward her as she walked beside him looking off into the distance with the preoccupied air of a woman whose whole mind was given to some engrossing and persistent thought.

"Let us sit for awhile," she proposed as they reached the top of a knoll where, under a solitary tree, a bench invited relaxation. Sulting the action to the word, she seated herself comfortably with her elbows placed defiantly on the back of the bench, an attitude peculiar to her aggressive moods and one which Mowbray had learned to recognize as preliminary of an intention to talk things out to a finish. He wondered what it would be this time, for he had long since dropped into his role of patient.

He waited patiently with eyes that roved carelessly over the mansions on the far side of Fifth avenue, which in turn sent back a well bred stare, knowing that her feelings would soon reach the point of overflow. At last she broke the silence.

"Do I look to you like a person sequestered by fate to be distinguished among women—discreetly distinguished, I mean?" she demanded, turning toward him with a directness which challenged a truthful answer. He regarded her in a manner intended to convey that he was making an expert examination.

"No," he admitted, "I can't say that you do—that is— He stopped rather vaguely.

"Oh, now don't try to soften the truth," she interrupted quickly. "I'm after facts, and I am not going to lay anything you may say against you."

"I haven't the least idea what it is about, but I am glad that there is going to be no ambiguity," Mowbray observed politely. Then he settled himself to listen. It was one of his virtues that he never missed his cue.

Her next words came out rather abruptly.

"I'm not especially plain, do you think?"

Her tone was deprecating, but she turned her face toward him in a manner as impersonal as if she were calling his attention to the landscape. Then she continued impudently:

"That is, I suppose I would be classed as 'fair to middling.'"

He nodded assent with a gleam of mischief in his eye.

"To tell you the truth"—her tone had dropped into the personal, confidential key—"I'm not at all convinced about my looks, but I'm always flattered myself that I am rather interesting."

The statement ended with a rising inflection which made it a question, and it was evident that she was awaiting his decision with some anxiety.

"Rather interesting, I think we may say," he agreed suavely.

"And I'm sure I'm affectionate and fairly good tempered and—and—" Mowbray encouraged her by a nod. "—and domestic."

"I shall have to take your word for that."

"Well, I am domestic. I know I am! So I want you to explain to me"—her voice was growing tumultuous—"but first promise on your honor that you'll never tell—how it is that I've reached the age of thirty-three without ever having had a proposal!"

Mowbray threw himself back and roared, while her arms came down off the bench and she dropped her face upon her hands and set looking at him with the puzzled air of a pupil at the feet of a master.

"When you've done laughing," she began with dignity.

"Pardon, dear, a thousand pardons!" He had never called her that before, and there was something in his voice which bespoke a new hope and confidence, but she was too engrossed in her pursuit of self knowledge to notice.

"I forgot to say that I'm sensible. Men always like that, you know. Anyway, they pretend to."

She finished in a way that suggested that she had her doubt of her sincerity. With a mighty effort her countenance was brought in that the cardinal was dead.

panion swallowed his mirth and prepared to face the situation with her.

"Is it because you haven't wanted any one to ask you?" he inquired diplomatically.

"No, indeed!"

"And no man has ever told you that he loved you?" he murmured in a thoughtful tone. "Strange!"

"Well—now—I didn't say just that, you know?"

There was a faint suspicion of a blush on Miss Farrar's smooth cheeks, but her glance met Mowbray's with its usual unswerving honesty.

"Men have told me that they loved me—several of them! But that's not a proposal, you know, any more than it's a purchase when I say that I adore a string of pearls at Tiffany's!"

"A-h-h!"

The ejaculation was full of enlightenment. Mowbray was beginning at last to understand things that had always puzzled him, as his next question showed.

"Would it be impertinent to ask how you have received these declarations?"

"Why, I just listened! You see, it's embarrassing. It makes one feel so terribly conscious."

"What about the man?" Mowbray asked quietly. "Doesn't it occur to you that perhaps he might need a little encouragement—that perhaps he might be a trifle conscious too?"

For a moment there was silence between them. The point of view was utterly new to Miss Farrar, and she was obviously impressed by it.

"I never thought of that," she admitted slowly. "I thought that sort of thing was so in a man's line—his métier." She laughed a bit ruefully.

A squirrel darted swiftly across the grass and, turning its head faintly to one side, fixed a bright, inquiring eye upon them. Then, with a saucy wave of its tail, it scurried away.

"I have it," said Mowbray. "I have it! Learn from the squirrel! Lightness, airiness, coquettishness! No light on his left arm in order to see the pasteboards as he passed through the dimly lighted car."

At one time the conductors indulged in considerable extravagance in the matter of lanterns. Some of them were gold and silver plated. The upper part of the glass globe was colored blue, and the name of the owner was cut in old English letters. At the meetings of the Conductors' association manufacturers would arrange a great display of costly lights at one of the hotels in the city in which the meeting would be held. Some of the conceits in the lights were unique, and the prices ranged from \$25 to ten times that figure. The glass and painting were kept in a highly polished state, and none dared to meddle with this part of the ticket puncher's equipment.

Conductors still carry their own lanterns—that is, they are on the train ready for use—but there is nothing like the need of them that formerly existed. —Chicago Tribune.

## SPENCER'S EAR PLUGS.

The Way the Great Philosopher Rids Himself of Small Talk.

"Years ago," says William H. Hudson in the North American Review, "Herbert Spencer found that the effect of following ordinary conversation became frequently too much for him. But he liked to have people about him to watch the play of expression on their faces, to feel that, though he could not himself share much in the movement, he was, as it were, a part of the normal and healthy social world. For this reason he objected to withdrawal into solitude and evolved a plan by which he might secure the partial isolation which he required. He had a circular spring made to go round the back of his head, and this carried pads which fitted firmly upon the ears, effectively deadening the noise about him and reducing the surrounding chatter to a mere hum. I have often seen him, stretched at length upon his couch, follow with apparent interest the gossip over the afternoon tea cups up to a certain point and then, reaching under his pillow, draw forth and adjust his instrument, thus suddenly detaching himself from his environment. The effect of this movement was always to cause an instant cessation of the conversation. But this was precisely what Spencer did not wish. 'Go on talking,' he would exclaim, with a quizzical look. 'I can't hear what you are saying, you know!'"

COSTLY LANTERNS.

The Faner Lamps That Passenger Conductors Used to Carry.

Modern railroading has driven the passenger conductor's lantern almost out of use. Years ago the pride of a passenger conductor was his lantern. Then the cars were not so brilliantly illuminated as they are now, and the ticket taker was obliged to carry his light on his left arm in order to see the pasteboards as he passed through the dimly lighted car.

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SHELLFISH LANGUAGE.

Curious Clicking Sounds Heard on the Water at Night.

Most seamen will tell of curious clicking sounds heard on calm nights at sea, and the origin of the noise seems so altogether unaccountable that it has often created some alarm among superstitious fishermen.

A distinguished naturalist made a careful study of the sounds on many occasions and found that it was not a sustained note, but made up of a multitude of tiny ones, each clear and distinct in itself and ranging from a high treble down to a bass. When the ear was applied to the gunwale of the boat the sound grew more intense, and in some places as the boat moved on it could not be heard at all.

On other occasions the sounds resembled the tolling of bells, the booming of guns and the notes of an organ harp.

For a long time he was unable to trace the cause, but at length discovered that the sounds were made by shellfish, hundreds of them opening their shells and closing them with sharp snaps. The noise, partly muffled by the water, sounded indescribably weird. He was finally led to the conclusion that as the shellfish made the sounds they probably had some meaning and that the clicks might possibly be a warning of danger when the shallow water was disturbed by the boat.

Girls Kept in Cages.

It is said that the people of New Britain have a peculiar custom of confining their girls in cages until they reach marriageable age. These cages are built of wood cut from the palm tree and are inside the rude houses. Outside each house is a fence of wickerwork made of reeds. The girls are caged at the age of two or three and are never allowed to go out of the house, yet they seem strong and healthy.

Where Three Is a Crowd.

Tom—I suppose you spent a pleasant evening with your best girl.

Dick—Pleasant? Huh! A fellow can't make love to his girl in a crowd.

Tom—Oh, was there a crowd there?

Dick—Yes, and the chump didn't have sense enough to realize that he wasn't wanted. —Chicago Tribune.

Perverses.

He—Won't you let me give you just one kiss before I go?

She—Will just one satisfy you?

He—Yes, darling.

She—Then I won't give it to you. —Standard.

One Sweetly Pleasant Thought.

Georgiana—We are not old.

Juliana—Oh, yes, we are, my dear.

Georgiana—Well, we are just as young as any girls of our age in town. —Indianapolis Journal.

Some people pick their company—to pieces.—Schoolmaster.

Mothers can safely give Foley's Honey and Tar to their children for coughs and colds, for it contains no opiates or other poisons. For sale by H. F. Vorkamp, corner Main and North streets.

## STORY OF AN OYSTER

TOLD BY HIMSELF ABOUT HIMSELF AND HIS TRIBE.

The Trials and Tribulations of the Succulent Bivalve From the Time of Planting Until His Appearance on the Fishmonger's Counter.

There were about 50,000 of us when, as tiny larvae of spawn or "spat," as the oyster spawners call us, we floated out into the water one day on "the flats."

At first we were white and apparently lifeless. Then we turned gray and finally black. At this stage we became visibly alive. For several days we floated, the sport of waves and tides. Some of my brothers were carried out to sea and so vanished; others were swallowed by fish. At last we all began instinctively to sink toward the bottom.

Then began again terrible destruction. Many fell on land—the most fatal thing a young oyster can do. These perished at once. Others attached themselves to plants and weeds which grew at the bottom of the sea. They lived for a time—so long at least as the plant remained alive. Then, when the plant died, they perished as well.

Fortunately for myself, I drifted on to a bit of "culch"—that is to say, one of the old shells which the dredgers and oyster men so carefully scatter all over the sea floor of an oyster bed. I settled with my deep shell upnearest and my flat or right shell nearer the ground. At the time I did not know why I did this. I have since realized that it was because in that position I should be more easily able to eject the sand and grit which a rough sea sometimes stirs up in shallow water. I attached myself firmly to my anchorage of "culch" and felt myself at last fairly started in life.

Soon I noticed that every single morsel of shell or stone around me was tenanted by tiny oysters, all lying in the same position as myself and all firmly anchored.

There I lay, unmoving, for nearly a year. Food, in the shape of tiny animalcules, which an oyster loves best, was plentiful. When the water was thick with it, we all opened our shells wide, and making currents in the water by means of the tiny hairs which fringe our gills and which men call our bristles, we washed the dainties into our mouths. Our choicest delicacies were the minute green algae, which give to cultivated oysters that greenish tinge that is the mark of the aristocratic native.

When I first anchored myself, I was but the twentieth of an inch in diameter—so small, indeed, that a microscope would have been necessary to examine me. At that stage my shell was perfectly transparent.

At the end of ten months I had increased in diameter to fully the size of a dime and become what is called "brood."

During all this time I had been learning many things. I found out that it was necessary to close my shell tight when dangers of various kinds threatened, when the tide was low or, in winter, when frost was severe. You may perhaps imagine that an oyster is a creature of such low organism that it cannot see or feel much of what is going on round about it. But you are wrong. The mantle fringe of an oyster is very sensitive. If you watched us from a boat in calm water, you would see that the mere shadow of the boat crossing an oyster bed would cause those of us upon whom it falls to close our shells immediately.

It was necessary to be most careful. Dangers were many and terrible. Sea urchins prowled among us and devoured many. But of all our foes the worst is the five fingered starfish. One of my sisters, anchored not a yard away, fell a victim to this terror of the oyster beds. It clutched her with its long fingers. She closed her shell.

But the creature was not to be shaken off. Hour after hour it clung there until on the second day after its first grip she, poor thing, opened her shell to get a mouthful of food. At once the starfish injected into her a fluid which stupefied her so that she could not close again. Then the monster turned itself inside out, shed itself into the open shell and devoured her.

Then, one day a year after I had started as "spat," came a startling change in my existence. Something huge and heavy came out of the shadow of a boat above and approached, rasping and grating along the bottom. It was a great triangular dredge of wrought iron. At the bottom was a flat bar with a blunt edge, known to the dredgers as the "bit."

As the "bit" approached it scraped the bottom of the sea clean, and next instant I, too, found myself lifted and dropped into the net, together with hundreds like myself and a miscellaneous collection of small soles and other things.

One of the men sorted over the catch and, having selected all the oysters and spat, "shaded" the rest back into the sea through a porthole.

I, in company with enormous quantities of other brood, was put into a "wash"—a measure holding five and a quarter gallons—and relaid. Here life was less eventful and food most plentiful. To fatten well an oyster must have a certain amount of fresh water.

In this snug retreat I passed from brood to half ware and from half ware to ware, or full grown oyster. But I still went on growing and developing, until one day the dredge swept me up again, and I was raised once more into the upper air and rapidly brought in.

I was then dropped into a large bag and suspended in a tank of fresh sea water, which is constantly renewed. There I await my final fate, which will, I fear, be a fishmonger's counter. —New York News.

COINS OF THE PAST.

Gold Pieces That Were Once Common, but Are Now Rarely Seen.

Recent mention of the disappearance of the \$2.50 gold piece from circulation and the prevailing coin controversies as a cause has set many to thinking in old pocket-books and bottoms of cash boxes and drawers in search of old or out of date coins. Some have found a \$2.50 piece, but not many. The \$3 piece, once quite common, but always a sort of curiosity, is often found, and many have specimens of the \$1.50 gold coins representing 25 cents and 50 cents which were not minted by the government and probably have not so much gold in them as they represent. They used to pass as coin, but were never in general circulation, being so easily lost that they soon became scarce. One of the handsomest coins seen is a \$10 gold piece bearing the mint stamp of 1790. It is larger than the present \$10 piece. The owner has it hung in a hand and wears it as a charm on his watch chain. The owner says he refused an offer of \$150 for this relic. The old octagonal \$50 pieces were quite common in California in early days, when gold dust was largely used as a circulating medium. They were made of pure gold, and while they had not the elegant finish of the gold coins minted by the government in these days, many still remember them as the handsomest coins they ever saw. Many people now would consider their handsome on account of the \$50 in them.—New York Tribune.

BURNING THE YULE LOG.

The Custom One of Ancient Origin, The Yule Candle.

The custom of burning a large log



# EAGLES HAVE TAKEN LIMA.

Initiation of a Class of Over Eighty  
"Buzzards" Begins.

Secret Work Will Be Concluded at an Evening  
Session and Will Be Followed by an  
Elaborate Banquet.

This is Eagle day in Lima. The "birds" began soaring about the city from within and without, early this morning and this afternoon they corralled a flock of over eighty "buzzards" who, before they are initiated, will be taught to soar high.

The occasion of the big doings in Eagleism is a class initiation that began in the lodge rooms of Lima Aerie No. 479, at one o'clock this afternoon. Between eighty and ninety candidates for membership have qualified for initiation and all will have wings when they take flight tonight.

There will be an evening session of the Aerie and this will be followed by a banquet in the auditorium. The program of the day, the menu for the banquet, the officers and committees of the lodge and the candidates are as follows:

9:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m.—Reception of visiting members and candidates for initiation. (Headquarters in Eagle hall, corner Main and High streets.)  
1:00 p. m.—Opening of Aerie for secret work.  
5:30 p. m.—Adjournment for supper.  
6:00 to 7:00 p. m.—Reception for visiting members and candidates in lodge rooms.  
7:00 p. m.—Opening of Aerie for secret work.  
9:45 p. m.—Closing of Aerie session. Members and guests will march to Auditorium.  
10:00 p. m.—Banquet at Auditorium. The Banquet.  
T. B. Bowersock, W. P., toastmaster.  
Menu.  
Clam Chowder.  
Olives Pickles  
Walters Bread and Butter Squares.  
Cheese Rye Bread  
Cold Ham Cold Ox Tongue  
Potato Salad

## NOT Guilty Was the Verdict Of the Jury

In Case of the State vs.  
Elmer Long,

Who Was Charged With  
Stealing Jewelry From  
His Landlady.

Both Cases Set for Tomorrow Are  
Continued and Jury Dismissed  
Until Thursday  
Morning.

Elmer R. Long, who has been employed in several groceries and meat shops as a clerk, was brought to trial today, charged with the theft of a bracelet and two inexpensive rings, which were the property of Mrs. Henry Mank, of south Main street.

According to the statement made to the jury, the defendant clerked in a grocery formerly operated by Mr. Mank, and at the same time boarded, with several others, at the Mank home. He was indicted for board and Mrs. Mank took his best suit of clothes and locked it in her trunk. Long acknowledges having opened the trunk and removed the clothing, but denies any knowledge of the jewelry, which it is claimed was taken from the trunk in which the clothing was secreted.

Mrs. Mank testified that a watch chain, which was taken from her bed room, was found in the pocket of an old pair of trousers worn by Long, and the bracelet turned up in the possession of a young lady to whom it is held by the state. Long and previously sent other presents.

While the circumstantial evidence points strongly against the accused, he denies having ever had the stolen property in his possession, and charges Mrs. Mank with holding a grudge against him while he was employed at the store. The defense introduced several persons for whom Long had worked, and they testified to his honesty.

C. J. Bratterton conducted the defense and at 2:15 this afternoon, the jury, after having listened to a brief argument, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Officers of Lima Aerie.  
C. L. Ackerman, D. D. G. P.; Ed. S. Mowen, P. W. P.; T. B. Bowersock, W. P.; John P. Deis, W. V. P.; F. Phinney, W. C.; Bert Crist, W. Conductor; P. Laughlin, W. Secretary; W. M. Bryan, W. Treasurer; C. Plock, W. I. G.; W. L. Thompson, W. O. C.; L. J. Strubbe, W. Physician.  
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Committees.  
Executive—J. W. Beall, John P. Deis, L. Y. Strayer.  
Music—Chas. DeVoe, S. M. Ettinger, and P. Laughlin.  
Hall and Decorations—Paul Werner, L. H. O'Brien, and A. A. Vandenberg.  
Banquet—Henry Steinle, F. Phinney, and L. Y. Strayer.

The Candidates.  
Val. Roemer, Tony Schumacher, Ed. Smith, F. Dennis, T. Daley, W. H. Pohlsdorfer, T. J. Schoemueler, Geo. Roeder, James Hams, O. L. West, Jno. Frye, E. G. Adams, Wm. Karsch, J. H. Donnelly, J. C. Woollett, Alex. Case, nan, Anton Miller, T. C. Long, J. R. Blaine, F. E. Dunbar, Thos. Syler, R. Hurd, H. Van Gunten, J. F. Matthews, W. E. Houser, Jno. A. Miller, E. A. Peak, W. Anspach, Floyd Morrow, N. J. Keiffer, Max Kauffman, M. D. Crense, Thos. W. Forshee, A. C. Homard, Adam Hoverman, Wm. Boogher, L. C. McPherson, Jos. Elias, J. W. Sloan, Thos. Lanaban, W. J. Campbell, F. Lind, Val Heil, F. W. Lewis, W. Mills, L. E. Neely, Chess Tucker, C. W. Coons, Earl Smith, Clarence H. Moeller, H. C. Ritenour, Chas. Leimyer, Seymour Peck, W. S. Seifried, W. L. Judkin, E. A. Trickery, B. Jefferies, A. J. Young, A. McBarron, Cloyd Anspach, E. A. Graff, J. A. Hilley, G. Fellows, B. Y. Reider, H. C. Bradley, Jos. F. Alberty, O. W. Lott, P. C. Beck, Henry Lumpkin.

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About Witnesses.  
Two cases were set for trial tomorrow, but in both a continuance was found necessary and the jury was dismissed until Thursday morning.

No Transfers.  
There were no deeds of transfer filed for record today, but a loan of \$700 from the South Side Building and Loan Association was recorded, and one private mortgage for a loan of \$1,600.

A Prize Card.  
Joseph F. Miller, proprietor of the Wayne street concert hall, last night filed an action for injunction against Lawrence Moore, who conducts a similar place on Central avenue, the contention being over the possession of a soubrette whose stage name is Leah Dancourt. The song and dance artist, who was engaged as a headliner for Miller's vaudeville show, left and went to the Moore theatre, and Miller applied for an injunction under cover of his contract with the girl, whom he had agreed to pay \$15 a week and board. The papers were served last night and the girl's engagement broken until the question of a perpetual injunction is settled.

To Enforce Contract.  
Russell L. Armstrong, the attorney has filed a suit in which he appears as plaintiff and names N. B. Hall, Benj. G. Watkin and Geo. A. Douglass as defendants. The petition sets out that the defendants entered into a contract with R. B. Gordon, S. A. Armstrong and R. L. Armstrong to pay into the treasury of the Kalamazoo Portland Cement Co., limited, the sum of \$50,000. If sixty days after the 15th of July they failed to do so, they agreed to pay defendants \$2,500 for their holdings of capital stock and to the First National bank, of St. Marys, \$2,500 on its note. Not having carried out either provision in the contract, the plaintiff asks judgment for \$832.33, the value of his holdings.

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U. B. REVIVAL.  
Sunday was the best day in the history of the meeting at the United Brethren church. There were 18 seekers and 22 accessions during the day, making 42 seekers and 44 accessions since the beginning of the meetings. Services each evening this week. All are invited.

All the R-hobacs going to the home of F. F. Dingledine will meet at Crum's drug store at 9 o'clock sharp Wednesday morning.

## VETERAN Carpenter Suddenly Claimed by Death's Hand.

Oscar G. Butterfield, Stricken With  
Apoplexy Yesterday, Died  
Early This Morning.

Oscar G. Butterfield, a veteran carpenter, who, for many years was employed as a bridge builder on the Pennsylvania railroad, died at his home, 594 west North street, about 1 o'clock this morning, death resulting from an attack of apoplexy. Mr. Butterfield was stricken about two o'clock yesterday afternoon, while he was at work on a house on Washington street. He was removed to his home and there he gradually grew weaker until the end came.

The deceased was 65 years of age and was a citizen of Lima for more than a quarter of a century. He was an excellent citizen and was respected by all who knew him. He is survived by his wife and six children, Mrs. Albert Simons being one of the daughters.

Funeral services will be held at that residence at 2 o'clock, Thursday afternoon.

Everybody's liable to itching piles. Rich and poor, old and young—terrible the torture they suffer. Only one sure cure. Doan's Ointment. Absolutely safe; can't fail.

## LAST Trial in the Postal Scandal

Started Today

With Lorenz First on  
the Stand.

Machen Tells of the Giving  
of the Note for \$25,000  
by Lorenz,

And Makes the Claim That It Was  
Given to Him in Exchange for  
His Interest in the  
Oil Business.

Washington, Feb. 9.—The fifth and what is now considered to be the last of the postal trials began today. Geo. F. Lorenz was first called. He was followed by August W. Machen, former superintendent of the rural free delivery division of the postoffice department, the central figure in the case. Mr. Machen testified that his service in the Toledo postoffice began in September, 1886, and ended August 1, 1899. For several years after leaving the Toledo office he said he and Geo. E. Lorenz devoted their entire time to their oil ventures. He came to Washington and assumed his duties as assistant superintendent of delivery. Mr. Machen gave summary of his oil transactions and said the Plat Oil Co. was close corporation, composed of himself and four others.

Coming to the giving of the note for \$25,000 by Lorenz, Machen said it represented the equity in what was known as the Machen interest in the oil business. He did not close with Lorenz at once he said, because had other purchasers in view. The note finally was given by Lorenz July 1, 1899.

"Will you tell the jury that you at that time actually sold to Lorenz your interest in this business?" he was asked.

"I did," said Machen with emphasis.

UNIFORM RANK DANCE  
At Auditorium next Thursday evening, February 11th. 2-21

O. E. S. NOTICE.  
O. E. S. regular meeting of Trinity Chapter No. 16, Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, at 7 o'clock. Visiting members in the city are welcome.

MATILDA BOWERS, W. M.  
ANNIE CLIZBE, Secy.

THE IDLER.  
The Lima Primary and Junior Union will hold their next meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The Sunday school lesson will be taught by Mr. Harry Zuremich, who has charge of the primary department of Main street Presbyterian church.

Miss Mary Caution of the German Reformed church will discuss the subject, "Shall Patriotism Be Taught in the Sunday School and to What Extent?" We urge all Sunday school workers to attend these meetings, as they will prove to be quite helpful to you in your work.

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All the leading hotels, restaurants and dining cars serve Mrs. Austin's Pancakes for breakfast. Much better than others.

## SEWER Improvements Are Discussed At the Session

Held by the City Boards  
Last Night.

Decided That Property Owners  
Shall Be Directly  
Assessed

For the Cost of Sewer Construction,  
on a Plan Similar to That Now  
in Vogue for Street Im-  
provements.

In response to a call the members of the board of public service, sinking fund trustees, board of health, city engineer, city solicitor, and members of the city council met in the council chamber last evening to discuss plans for providing the city with many needed sewers and means of paying the cost thereof. There are now on file in the city clerk's office, petitions for three and one-third miles of sewers, and there are no funds with which to pay the cost of their construction.

Messrs. A. C. Reichelderfer and Louis Koch, sinking fund trustees, began the discussion, after the meeting was called to order, the former making a statement of the money that has been expended by the city in sewer building, the amount of bonds issued, and speaking of the necessity of the adoption of some new means by which sewers can be built when and where they are needed.

Mr. Koch was in favor of dividing the city into sewer districts and of assessing the properties directly benefited by the constructing of new sewers. His plan met with the immediate approval of all who were present, and the solicitor stated that the municipal code provided that the cost of sewer construction could be so assessed against the property benefited.

Motion that chairman Newson appoint a committee to devise plans for the new method of sewer building, along the lines suggested by Mr. Koch, was made. The motion was carried and the following committee was appointed: Z. A. Crossen, of the board of health; A. C. Reichelderfer, sinking fund trustee; J. H. M. Morrison, of the board of public service; T. A. Hullinger, of the city council; Englebar Gamble and City Solicitor Bentley.

No one would ever be bothered with constipation if everyone knew how naturally and quickly Burdock Blood Bitters regulates the stomach and bowels.

## ADDRESS

Will Be Delivered by Supt.  
Miller.

The class address for the high school commencement this spring has been looked after already and that is off the minds of the aspirants for a diploma, says the Mt. Victory Observer. There are only four graduates in the class of 1904 and as their orations will not consume much time, it is necessary to have an address to fill out the program.

While in attendance at the Teacher's Institute in Kenton, Saturday, Prof. J. E. Gordon spoke for the services of Hon. C. C. Miller, formerly Ohio's state school commissioner, but now superintendent of the Lima schools. Mr. Miller accepted and we may consider it a lucky catch as he is one of the best orators in the state, and a man of high standing in educational circles. He will do justice to the class of 1904.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Rev. J. A. O'Connor, mother and sister, of Medina, O., and Bernard E. and Harry O'Connor, of Cleveland, have been called here by the critical illness of John S. O'Connor.

Thos. Cunningham, a venerable citizen of north Elizabeth street is seriously ill from an attack of heart failure.

Miss Anna Gallagher, of north Elizabeth street, is the guest of her sister in Hamilton.

Mrs. John Fontaine and son Raymond, of east Europa street, left today for a visit with his mother and sisters in Ft. Recovery, O.


UNIFORM RANK DANCE  
At Auditorium next Thursday evening, February 11th. 2-21

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Market street Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. J. E. Grosjean, of west Market street, Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 10, at 2:30.


G. E. BLUEM.

55-57 Public Square.

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**SUITS AND COATS  
FOR SPRING 1904.**



The verdict of the majority of tastefully gowned women today is that this season will surpass any spring of former years in the display of high grade, beautifully finished Coats and Skirts. Competition is strongest now between manufacturers and all the creative powers of the most ingenious minds are brought into force to design the most exquisite ready made garments for the least money. THE BLUEM STORE HAS ALWAYS BEEN FIRST in this line of merchandise and will this season display for moderate prices, too, Coats, Suits and Skirts the equal of which can only be found in the fashion centers of this country.

One of the easiest and most natural habits a woman can form is that of shopping regularly at the Bluem store.

A man tailored Ladies' Suit in black plain cheviot, has a blouse jacket with drooping shoulder effects, full sleeves with cuffs, skirt has seven gores, double stitched, lap seams, narrow braid trimming finishes jacket and skirt,  
**Price \$12.50.**

Our new Spring Suits are on display—all the popular cloths in plain and fancies, etamine, voile, broadcloth, cheviot, jackets of military design, choice jackets, tight fitting; an elaborate collection of this season's ideas at enticing prices ranging  
**From \$12.50 up.**

G. E. BLUEM.



**Dry Goods, Suit House.**



55-57 Public Square.

A thoroughly tailored Ladies' Cloth Suit in the so much in demand "mannish cloth," has a jacket 20 inches long, double breasted, high collar, full sleeve, braid trimming, skirt is an eleven gore with lap seams and braid trimming,  
**Price \$20.00.**

Misses' Suits in tan, covert cloth of excellent quality; handsomely stitched in silk and thoroughly finished throughout, jacket is twenty-four inches long, has lap seams back and front on sleeves, has regular coat collar, is fitted back with fly front, has strap at waist, skirt has nine gores, wide lap seams, full back and walking length,  
**Price \$27.50.**

G. E. BLUEM.

## NINE

Persons Killed in  
Collision  
Of Two Trains.

Accident Occurred Near  
Ottawa, Ont.

Five Passengers Included in  
the List of Those Who  
Met Death.

## Protect Your Credit.

Have you been disappointed in not being able to meet all those small bills by the first of the year? You no doubt wanted to get them all paid so that you could start in with the new year with a clean record. Protect your credit by doing so. If you've not got the ready money, come to us. We will advance you the amount you need on your furniture, piano, or fixtures, and you can pay us back in weekly or monthly payments. You can get \$50.00 for fifty weeks, and your payments will be only \$1.20 per week. Other amounts in the same proportion.

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Both Phones.  
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## START RIGHT!

Start the new year by first considering the reliability and solvency of your broker, whose market advices are sincere and intended for the success of his customers.

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## FAUROT OPERA HOUSE

Thursday, Feb. 11.  
The Dearborn Theatre Management Presents  
**RICHARD CARLE**  
—IN—  
**The TENDERFOOT**  
Clean, Smart, Chic,  
Brilliant.  
**NEW**  
Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.50.  
Seats on sale Wednesday 9 a. m.

## Stolzenbach's Bread.

They make as good, wholesome bread as I do, and look at the work and worry it saves me! High praise, perhaps, but a trial of

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